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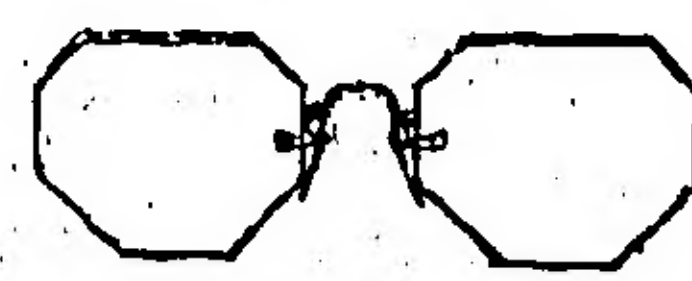
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FENG YU-HSIANG TO BEGIN BIG ATTACK ON SHANTUNG.

THREE "DARE TO DIE" COMPANIES.

Canton, Yesterday.

Feng Yu-hsiang has decided to call a military conclave at Chengchow, on May 1, when all the Shansi and Kuominchun Generals will be requested to attend.

It is anticipated that hostilities on a large scale will take place after this meeting.

Due to the strong fortifications prepared by the National Forces at Hsuehchow and Hankow, Feng Yu-hsiang is likely again to change his plans by attacking Shantung instead, in order to gain access to a sea port.

LINE OF ADVANCE.

According to intelligence received from Chengchow, the Allied Forces will advance in five directions, i.e., the Kuominchun General Lu Chung-lin to march southward along the Pinghan line, the Kuominchun General Liu Yu-ming to threaten the northern sector of Hupieh; the Shansi General Chu Yung-chang to push along the Tsin-Pu line; the doubtful Generals Wan Hsun-tai and Sun Tien-ying to attack Mamuch on the Lung-Hui line; and the Kuominchun Generals Sun Liang-ching and Sung Chih-yuan to be responsible for the capture of the Southern sector of Honan.

Reply To Yen Hsi-shan.

In reply to Yen Hsi-shan and Feng Yu-hsiang's telegram of April 20, Wang Ching-wei expressed himself as being very pleased that full military preparation have been successfully carried out and that hostilities may break out at any moment. As to their request that he should become the Party leader, Wang excused himself that he, being a man of ordinary ability, could not help much at the present crisis, but he would, however, proceed north after a short delay. He further begged Yen-Feng to continue to continue their plan and not to await his arrival, so that no opportunity may be lost in the execution of Party affairs.

According to the above, it may be surmised that Wang Ching-wei may not go up to the north after all. It will be remembered that a number of northern representatives had been sent to interview Wang Ching-wei, requesting him to proceed with the least delay. Still Wang has not done so; evidently it is his intention to see what will be the outcome of the combination between Yen and Feng, who, according to the Chinese saying, "Share the same bed but each have different dreams". It has been recently asserted by the vernacular Press in the North that Yen is not in favour of maintaining the Kuomintang principle of Government, while Feng insists that there should be no change from the present Party system. Hence this difference of opinion has been the chief cause of delay in the formation of the Government at Peking.

Financial Trouble.
It is learned that Yen is now facing one of the biggest problems that he has yet had to meet, that is, to provide the allied armies with funds to prosecute the campaign against the Nanking Government. Within the last week, many urgent telegrams from Feng Yu-hsiang, Shih Yu-shan, Sun Tien-ying and other allied commanders have been sent to Yen for funds and war supplies, which he is unable to meet except by a very limited amount. So acute has the question of finance and supplies become that Feng is reported to have wired to Yen that unless the Kuominchun were followed at once the greater part of the troops would perish at the front.

Taining Threatened.
The vanguards of Shih Yu-shan are reported to have arrived at Chu-yeh threatening Taining, about 25 miles away. General Han Fu-chu, who is now guarding Taining, has wired to the Central Government asking for reinforcements. At the same time, a wire was sent to Shih Yu-shan, who advised him to withdraw his troops from Chu-yeh. Both Shih and Han were reported to be under the Kuomintang.

TOUR ROUND THE WORLD

ADVENTURES OF TWO HUNGARIANS.

CHASED BY ARABS HONG KONG AFTER 42,000 MILES TOUR.

To be chased by armed Bedouins in the desert, surrounded by packs of howling wolves in a lonely forest, and stranded in the bush in Australia are not the lot of every man, yet these adventures (and many more) have befallen M. Gyula Bartha and M. Zoltan de Sulkowsky, two young Hungarian University students, who have just arrived in Hong Kong.

M. Sulkowsky, who is 27, and M. Bartha, who is 26, came to the China Mail office this morning and were introduced by Mr. A. Gascon, the local agent for the Harley Davidson motor cycles. Travelling and hardships seem to suit their complexions, for after a tour of 42,000 miles on a motor cycle combination, they appear to be in splendid condition.

Started from Paris. The tour began in August, 1928, when they left Paris in a Harley Davidson 1923 model motor cycle. Their itinerary thence was Mar-seilles, Genoa, Rome, Palermo, Madrid, Lisbon, Tangiers, Tunis, Tripoli, Alexandria, Jerusalem, Beyroute, Angora, Constantinople, Sofia, Bucharest, and Budapest. From Budapest they started out again for Belgrade, Athens, Port Said, the Sudan, Aden, thence by boat to Karachi. From Karachi they cycled all over India, touching Bombay, Lahore, Delhi, Calcutta, Benares, Madras, and Colombo, where they took a steamer to Australia. Touring the continent, they passed through Melbourne, Sydney, Adelaide, Perth, and Brisbane, and then sailed for the Celebes, Sumatra, and the other Dutch East Indies. Their next venue was Penang, Kuala Lumpur, and Singapore, whence they cycled to Siam and Indo-China.

Lady Companion.
Originally they had two companions—a young lady at student of Budapest, Miss Till, and an Alsatian dog. Miss Till often drove the machine and was exceedingly useful in many ways. Unfortunately she was taken ill with malaria in Jerusalem and, owing to the state of her health, was obliged to leave her companions at Budapest. Her tour lasted six months. As regards the fourth companion, the story is even more tragic. The poor beast, sighing for his homeland, laid down and died in India.

Chased by Bedouins.
The adventure with the Bedouins was as thrilling as a story in the "Wide World". Whilst the travellers were crossing from Nazareth to Damascus they espied a band of Arab horsemen. Having heard that the skeiks of the desert possessed qualities other than amorous, they decided to accelerate. At this the band of horsemen galloped in full pursuit, waving their carbines and uttering disturbing shrieks. At length the cyclists were able to outdistance their pursuers and reached the city in safety. Their great fear had been that a bullet would pierce the petrol tank, or that the Arabs would cut them off by another route. Their stars, however, were in the ascendant.

Surrounded by Wolves.
The adventure with the wolves was no less exciting. They were proceeding from Gwalior to Angora and were forced to stop, owing to some minor engine trouble, in the heart of a forest. Whilst they were engaged in overhauling the machine, a wolf stalked out of the trees behind them and disappeared. A few minutes later the forest path was gleaming with green eyes. They realised that they were surrounded by a pack of wolves. Being unarmed, their only means of keeping off the beasts was to light a fire, which they kept burning throughout the night. Although this prevented the wolves from attacking them, it only served to keep the beasts at a short distance away, and until dawn they were entertained by an orchestra of ghoulish howls that made sleep not only impossible, but undesirable. At daybreak the wolves dispersed and the cyclists once again set off upon their tour.

Lost in the Bush.
In Australia they rode for miles

TALK FROM CANADA TO LONDON.

LATEST FEAT OF LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONY.

NATIONAL RAILWAY PLAN.

Rugby, Yesterday.
An important advance in the development of long distance telephony was made yesterday, when a conversation took place between London and a train travelling across Canada at 60 miles an hour. In the office in the Canadian National Railway building in London, Mr. C. Smith, European Vice-President of the Railway, exchanged greetings by telephone with Sir Henry Thornton, President of the Railway, who was sitting in the "International Limited," which was running between Montreal and Quebec. Arrangements had been made for the Prime Minister to speak, but the atmospheric interference with the conversation before the line could be connected with Chequers. — British Wireless Service.

LORRY COLLIDE.

A motor accident was reported at the Shamshui Police Station yesterday. The driver of a motor lorry stated that yesterday afternoon he was driving along an excess road. On turning the corner to Shekpiu, another motor lorry came in the opposite direction and collided with his vehicle, causing damage to the bumper and right mudguard, to the extent of \$30. The other lorry also had its glass, bumper and mudguards damaged. Neither driver was injured.

into the bush, leaving civilisation several days' march behind. Engine trouble again developed, and they found themselves stranded without food, water or petrol. Undoubtedly they would have starved to death had not a motorist, who happened to be in the vicinity, caught sight of them and towed their machine into the nearest town.

Considering the difficult and often precarious nature of the countries

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through which they passed, their machine behaved exceedingly well. They experienced no really serious engine trouble, but this was mainly due, no doubt, to the fact that they gave the machine a thorough overhaul, every 5,000 miles. The tyres had often to be changed, but no tyre on earth will stand two years' wear over a distance of 42,000 miles, especially, as M. Sulkowsky said with a laugh, when the roads were hardly always as good as those in Hong Kong. At Hupieh they had to pass through some very marshy country, with the result that the coil was water-logged. At Hong Kong Mr. Gascon presented them with a new coil.

Purpose of the Tour.

The purpose of the tour is for study. Both young men are students of engineering at the University of Budapest, with one more year's study before they take their final examination, and throughout their trip they have taken notes and photographs and made sketches of roads, bridges and other things of interest to engineers. They have had no trouble whatsoever with the Customs authorities in any country, and have a splendid collection of photographs.

On their return to Hungary, M. Sulkowsky, who is a free-lance journalist, hopes to publish a book on his travels. They are at present staying at the Savoy Hotel, and will leave for Canton next week. Thence their route will be Nanking, Shanghai, Peking, Japan, and the U.S.A. They hope to visit Britain on their way back to Europe.

Invitation to Cyclists.
Mr. Gascon will accompany the two world-travellers on a tour of the New Territories on Sunday next, starting from the Star Ferry, Kowloon, at 10 a.m. All local cyclists who would care to join in the trip are invited to apply to Mr. Gascon at 7, Orient Building.

PRIESTS MURDERED.

Reds' Latest Dastardly Outrage.

IDENTITY UNKNOWN.

Shanghai, Yesterday.
Although St. Columban's Mission here has no information, reliable Chinese sources at Hankow report that the two members of the Mission who were taken prisoners at Sientaochen were shot dead by their captors. The priests are believed to be Irishmen, but their names are still not forthcoming.—Reuter.

Earlier News.

Hankow, Yesterday.
The town of Sientaochen, which is situated a hundred miles up the Han river in the Province of Hupieh, was captured by Communists last Friday, and two Catholic priests of St. Columban's Mission were taken prisoner.

Bishop Galvin of Hanyang, who is at present visiting Sientaochen, is remaining there to negotiate the release of these priests.

The Communist Army, which is reported to be 4,000 strong, has demanded no ransom as yet.—Reuter.

AMOK WITH CHOPPER

Victim of Attack Dies in Hospital.

A WEST POINT TRAGEDY.

A Chinese tobacco cutter named Tam Chap, aged 33 years, residing at 345, Queen's Road, 2nd Floor, has died in the Government Civil Hospital from wounds to his head and neck, inflicted, it is alleged, in a murderous attack made yesterday with a meat chopper by Fung Yan, also a tobacco cutter, of the same address.

The unfortunate man was admitted to the Hospital at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, together with another man named Yik Man-kan, also a victim of the attack. The condition of the second man is not considered to be serious.

Fearfully Battered.
It appears that Tam Chap was bathing in the scullery when he was suddenly attacked by Fung Yan, and fearfully battered with the chopper. Fung Yan then turned his attention to the other folk, and when the alarm was raised, he rushed out into the street, and managed to make good his escape. But not for long, at 7 o'clock this morning, he was seen outside the same premises by folks, who at once called the Police, who arrested the man.

The motive for the attack is not known, but before running amok with the chopper it is alleged that Fung Yan had attempted to set fire to some bedding in a vacant cubicle on the same floor.

TRAMWAYS CO. Meeting to Consider Hotel Buses.

It is advertised in this issue of the China Mail that an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders in the Hong Kong Tramways, Limited, will be held on May 7 to receive a Statement from the Chairman as to the position in regard to the proposals for the acquisition of the motor bus and garage undertaking by the Hong Kong & Shanghai Hotels, Limited.

EMPEROR OF JAPAN. Birthday Celebrations.



To-day the Japanese Emperor celebrates his birthday, when foreigners and Japanese alike will join in tendering their respectful congratulations.

Emperor Hirohito was born in Tokyo on April 29, 1901. He succeeded his father, Yoshihito, on December 25, 1926, having been previously married (on January 26, 1924) to Princess Nagako.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT WINS CASE.

LOGS DAMAGE PIER IN TYPHOON

"NOT AN ACT OF GOD."

Judgment was delivered this morning by Mr. Justice J. R. Wood at the Summary Court in the action instituted by the Hong Kong Government, through the Hon. Attorney-General, against the On Cheung Timber Co. and Ho Kai-chik, the proprietor, for damaging the Government pier at Tsimshui Road on the Praya reclamation, during the typhoon on August 22, 1929. Defendants were alleged to have stored a number of logs and other timber in close proximity to the pier, and that although they had had ample warnings to remove the logs before the typhoon struck Hong Kong, they had failed to do so, and, through their negligence, the logs rammed against the pier causing damages to the extent of \$658 which formed the subject of the claim.

Mr. F. C. E. Rendall appeared for the defendants and the Government's case was conducted by Mr. L. R. Andrews, Assistant Crown Solicitor. Judgment was given for the plaintiff with costs.

The Judgment.

The judgment was as follows:—The plaintiff is the Attorney-General and the defendant (who is the proprietor of the company named in the writ) is a timber merchant. The plaintiff claims damages on account of the defendant's alleged negligence. The particulars of claim contain minor inaccuracies, but they may be disregarded, as the issue between the parties has been in no way obscured at the trial. The quantum of damage has been established by evidence, which was not challenged. The defendant disputes lia-

LIGHT TO MODERATE.

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states:—

The anti-cyclone is now central to the N.E. of Japan. A shallow depression covers S.W. Japan. Pressure remains relatively low over Indo-China.

Forecast:—E. or variable winds; light to moderate; cloudy.

Rainfall
Rainfall to 10 a.m. to-day nil. Rainfall since January 1, 12.98 inches against an average of 11.37 inches.

Temperature and Humidity
The temperature and humidity at certain specified centres this morning at 8 o'clock were:—

	Temp.	Humid.
Hong Kong	74	86
Macao	75	88
Pratas Island	79	89
Manila	79	80
Amoy	71	100
Swatow	73	95
Chefoo	50	93
Shanghai	59	91

bility. The damage was done to a Government pier during the typhoon of August 22, 1929.

On the evidence given I find the following facts. The defendant was proprietor of a timber yard on the Praya East Reclamation. It was his practice to accept delivery of timber from ships, to saw the same to the praya wall, and then land it by mechanical means. He maintained a sheer-logs and crane

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SHADOWS OF MUTINY?

TROOPS' BEHAVIOUR IN INDIA.

UNSATISFACTORY.

TROUBLE WITH THE GARHWAL RIFLES.

London, Yesterday.
A communique issued by the Government of India and circulated at the India Office to-night says that in view of the possibility of exaggerated and misleading rumours, the Government of India thinks it advisable to make it known that during the recent disturbances in Peshawar City, when troops had to be employed, the conduct of a small element, namely, two platoons of the 2nd and 18th Royal Garhwal Rifles, was found to be unsatisfactory. The battalion was sent to Abbottabad, where an enquiry will be held in due course.

Fine Tradition.

There is a fine fighting tradition behind the Garhwal Rifles. They were recruited at Garhwal and did well in the Great War. They served in France and Mesopotamia, and gained two Victoria Crosses. It is noteworthy that as high-caste Hindus they have a religious bond with Gandhi.—Reuter.

Mrs. Gandhi's Hot Air.

Bombay, Yesterday.
Singing war songs of the motherland, and urging the faint hearted to become if they were afraid of death, Mrs. Gandhi and her women volunteers set out in two motor buses from Jalapur to carry on an anti-drink campaign.

Madras, Yesterday.

Almost every policeman was slightly injured in yesterday's stone throwing. The serious case was that of an Indian inspector, who was stabbed in the back.—Reuter.

on the praya wall for this purpose. The Government pier was a short distance to the west of this crane. On August 21, 1929, the defendant received certain timber from a ship—including six logs, 35 feet in length and two feet in diameter. These were towed to the son wall. The Royal Observatory had on August 20 given a first warning of a typhoon's approach. This was followed by additional warnings on August 21. On the afternoon of that day an Inspector of Government Piers on patrol noticed the defendant's logs in the water to the east of the pier and personally warned the defendant's foreman to remove them from the proximity to the pier in view of the approaching typhoon.

Crane Breaks Down.

At 6 p.m. on August 21, the defendant's employees commenced landing their timber. They proceeded first with the lighter timbers and at twelve midnight they had duly landed everything except the six heavy logs. At this time it appears that a screw belonging to their apparatus fell into the harbour. No spare screw was available. Landing operations, therefore, ceased and were not renewed.

The defendant, himself (who also knew of the typhoon's approach) came to his yard at about 9 a.m. on August 22. The weather was already rough. Realising the risks of the position he gave instructions to his men to secure the logs to rings on the Praya Wall (which was done) and he also endeavoured to obtain the services of a launch to tow the logs away from the pier (in which endeavour he was unsuccessful). The typhoon struck the Colony about 12 noon and damage occurred to the pier. During the storm, the logs broke loose from the Praya Wall. In my opinion the damage to the pier was caused by the defendant's logs.

It was contended for the plaintiff, in the course of these proceedings, that in the circumstances the principle of the cases cited in connection with the maxim *res ipsa loquitur* will here apply. The following authoritative statement of this principle is to be found in "Scott v. London Dock Company, (1865), 3 H. & C. 598. "When the thing is shown to be under the management of the defendant or his servants, and the accident is such as in the ordinary course of things does not happen if those who have the management use proper care, it affords reasonable evidence, in the absence of explanation by the defendant, that the accident arises from want of care."

No Normal Course.

In my opinion, the occurrence of the typhoon was so far outside the normal course of things as to prevent a necessary implication here of negligence on the part of the defendant.

On the other hand the defendant cannot successfully rely upon the typhoon as an "Act of God," which will exempt from liability.

It remains, therefore, to enquire whether the plaintiff has established a want of due care on the part of the defendant forming the proximate cause of the damage.

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WEDNESDAY, the 7th May, 1930,
at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the Direc-
tors together with a Statement of
Accounts for the year ended 31st
December, 1929.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
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NESDAY, 7th May, both days in-
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Hong Kong, 22nd April, 1930.

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Shareholders will be held at the
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Noon, for the purpose of receiv-
ing the Report of the General
Agents, together with a Statement
of Accounts for the year ended
the 31st December, 1929.

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Mt. Parker	1784
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Eyrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1808
Taijiao Sanatorium	1000
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (alterbeds)	297
Mainland.	Feet.
Kowloon Peak	1971
Taiwan Shan	5124

**BRITONS IN THEFT
CASES.****BAIL GRANTED TO ONE; OTHER
REFUSED.****BUSY MAGISTRATE.**

Although H. M. Supreme Court
was closed on April 21 for the
Easter Holidays, the Police Court
was sitting and two cases were
brought before Mr. C.G.O. Ander-
son who, in both instances, order-
ed a week's adjournment to enable
the police to make further in-
quiries. Assistant Police Advo-
cate Mr. R. W. S. Winter prosecut-
ed.

In the first case, Thomas Hous-
ton Hamlin, a 16 year-old unem-
ployed Briton, of 28 Quin-
san Road, Shanghai, was re-
manded on bail of \$500, in
two British sureties after evidence
of arrest had been called, on a
charge of theft of a typewriter
worth \$100, belonging to a private
in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Bail was not granted in the
second case in which E. V. Hynd-
man, unemployed British subject,
was brought up on a charge of
stealing on April 4, a gold watch
worth \$30 at 130 Tiendong Road.
The request of a week's adjourn-
ment by Mr. Winter, for the police
to make further inquiries into the
case was granted. The accused
was not allowed bail.

POLICE RESERVE**Orders for the Current
Week**

Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C.
Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector-General of
Police, state:—

General
Revolver Practice.—The regular
weekly revolver practice (volun-
tary) will take place at the Bowen
Road Revolver Range on Wednes-
day, April 30, from 9 p.m. to 10.30
p.m. it will be open to all ranks
of the H.K.P., Special Constables,
and all persons holding permits to
carry arms and also to the Sharp-
shooters' Company, Hong Kong
Police Reserve.

Police Training School.—
The weekly classes for Police
Reservists at the Police Train-
ing School, Kowloon, will be
held to-day at 6.30 p.m.
All members of the Chinese and
Indian Companies and Flying
Squad who have not yet passed
Part 2 of Training Course are re-
quested to attend.

Squad Drill.
All recruits of the Chinese and
Indian Companies, and of the Fly-
ing Squad will attend at Central
Police Station for Squad Drill,
on Thursday, May 1, at 6.30 p.m.
under P/Sergeant Hunt. Dress—
Muti.

Chinese Company
Handling of Revolver.—Instruc-
tion in aiming, correct grip, and
trigger pressing will be given at
the Company's Headquarters on
Wednesday evening, April 30 at
8 p.m.

Indian Company.
Parade.—All ranks of the Indian
Company will parade at Police
Headquarters on Tuesday, May 6,
1930 for drill under P/Sergeant R.
J. Hunt. Fall in at 5.30 p.m. sharp.
Dress—White Uniform, belt and
cap with white cover. No member
may be absent from this parade
without leave from the Company
Commander.

Flying Squad.
The weekly instructional patrol
of the Kowloon Section will
take place to-day. Fall in
at the Taim-tai-tai Fire Brigade
Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress
—Khaki Uniform and Cap with
Khaki Cover.

The weekly instructional patrol
of the Hong Kong Section will take
place on Friday, May 2. Fall in
at the Central Police Station at
5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress—Khaki
Uniform and Cap with Khaki
Cover.

Sharpshooters' Company
Strength.—Constables R415 Ray-
mond Shea, and R423 C. L.
Can have been taken on the
strength of the Sharpshooters'
Company as from April 23, and 24,
respectively.

Revolver Practice.—Members of
the Company will carry out revolver
practice at the Bowen Road
Range, on Wednesday evening,
April 30, from 21.00 to 23.00 hours.

Rifle Practice.—The regular
monthly practice will take place on
the Stonecutters Rifle Range on
Sunday, May 3, at 10.00 a.m.
Launch will leave Railway Pier,
Kowloon at 9.30 a.m. sharp. Mem-
bers will bring their rifles. Uni-
form optional.

(Sgd.) D. L. KING,
D.S.P. (R).
Hong Kong, April 28, 1930.

Mr. Justice Humphreys said that
the Brightside Division of the
Sheffield police had been shown to
be "rotten to the core" for a period,
summing up in the first of the
bribery cases at Leeds.

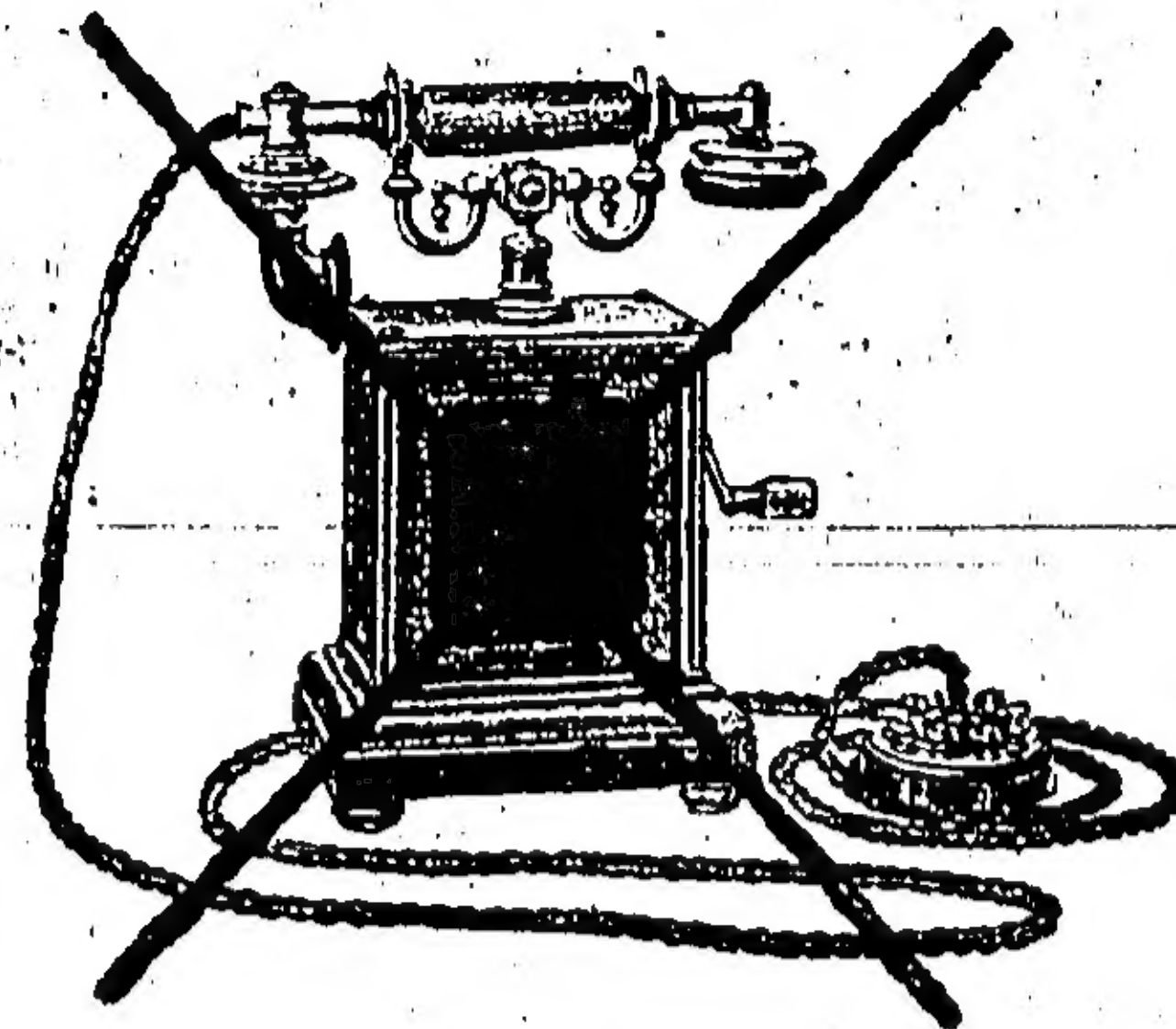
Frau Cosima Wagner, widow of
the great composer, has died at
Bayreuth, aged 92. She survived
her husband for 47 years.

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BERI-BERI FIGHT.**Students to Experiment
with Unpolished Rice.****VITAMINE "B."**

Under the direction of Dr. A. T.
Bawden, Professor of Chemistry at
Shanghai College and expert in food

and nutrition, an experiment as to the
nutritive value of unpolished rice will
be carried out with the enthusiastic
support of the students in the college,
says the Shanghai Times.

Dr. Bawden, as he spoke to the
students in their morning assembly,
urged their co-operation in food
chemistry research. He said that the
lack of vitamin "B" in the body was
the cause of beri-beri in man. Beri-
beri cost many lives in the Japanese

navy and finally it was discovered by a
Japanese physician that the eating of
polished rice, which lacks vitamin B,
was the cause. The vitamin is possess-
ed by the outer portion of the rice.

In Shanghai College, as reported by
the college physician, there are six
persons who have beri-beri, though not
in a serious form. But those who
have nervous ailments, disorder of the
digestive system, constipation, are
likely to have the symptoms of it.

Weakness and loss of weight are also
signs of the lack of vitamin B. Rice is
one of the best foodstuffs, but it is
better to use the unpolished rice.

A vote was taken and a majority of
the students favoured the proposal to
eat unpolished rice. The experiment
will be carried on for two weeks.

The Duchess of Leinster was
found ill in the gas-filled kitchen of
her flat in Benedict Road, Brixton.



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KASHIMA MARU	Saturday, 17th May.
HAKONE MARU	Saturday, 17th May.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.	Tuesday, 20th May.
KAGA MARU	Tuesday, 24th June.
TANGO MARU	Tuesday, 24th June.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.	Sunday, 11th May.
TAMBA MARU	Tuesday, 27th May.
† CALCUTTA MARU	Tuesday, 27th May.
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.	Friday, 2nd May.
HEIYO MARU	Monday, 5th May.
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.	Monday, 5th May.
HAKATA MARU	Monday, 5th May.
NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.	Thursday, 1st May.
† TSUYAMA MARU	Thursday, 1st May.
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Constantinople, Genoa.	Thursday, 15th May.
† TOYOOKA MARU	Thursday, 15th May.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Friday, 2nd May.
† PENANG MARU	Friday, 2nd May.
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SANTOS MARU	Tuesday, 20th May.
BOMBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.	Saturday, 5th May.
HONOLULU MARU	Monday, 19th May.
SHINOH MARU	Monday, 19th May.
DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.	Saturday, 3rd May.
MEXICO MARU	Saturday, 3rd May.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Monday, 5th May.
SEATTLE MARU	Sunday, 18th May.
HIMALAYA MARU	Sunday, 18th May.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports from Shanghai.	Tuesday, 29th April.
AFRICA MARU (From Shanghai)	Tuesday, 29th April.
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.	Tuesday, 6th May.
MELBOURNE MARU	Tuesday, 6th May.
HAIPHONG—Via Hanoi & Peking.	Thursday, 1st May, 10 a.m.
MENADO MARU	Thursday, 1st May, 10 a.m.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports & Panama.	Saturday, 10th May.
ARGUN MARU	Saturday, 10th May.
JAPAN PORTS.	Tuesday, 29th April.
PERKING MARU	Sunday, 4th May.
SUMATRA MARU	Sunday, 4th May.
KEELUNG—Via Swatow & Amoy.	Sunday, 4th May, 3 p.m.
HOZAN MARU	Sunday, 4th May, 3 p.m.
TAKAO—Via Swatow & AMOY.	Thursday, 8th May, Noon.
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TAKAO & KEELUNG.	Sunday, 11th May.
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Calcutta, Yesterday.
So far only 20 are known to have been saved out of a passenger list of 300 on the steamer Condor, reported to have sunk in the River Jumna, East Bengal, during a cyclone.
The mails aboard were lost, but details are at present lacking.—Reuter.

"BLUE WATER."

A Popular Liverpool Nautical Annual.

Captain W. H. Dowman, the owner of the famous clipper ship Cutty Sark, made a special journey from Falmouth to Liverpool to attend the Pacific Steam Navigation Company's annual "Blue Water" evening at the St. George's Hall. It was very appropriate that Captain Dowman should occupy a conspicuous position on the sailing ship Blue Water, for the object of these annual nautical evenings is to keep fresh in the memory the days of the old British sailing ship era, and a secondary object is to raise funds for the Mersey and sailor boy institutions, the Royal Liverpool Seamen's Orphan Institution, the training ship Indefatigable, Nautical Training School,

remind them of those noble words which John Masfield wrote about Liverpool a short time ago: "I am the English Sea Queen. I am she who made the English wealth by the sea. May it long be so." (Applause.)

Captain Dowman said he had been asked to come up from Falmouth to attend the "Blue Water" evening, and as an old windjammer sailor it gave him great pleasure. The Cutty Sark is still afloat, and she is still British. (Applause.) When they read in the papers that they had no more British sailing ships afloat there was one the same as she was rigged

up, and she is as good to-day as she was in the early days. In September they would have the Cutty Sark again afloat under canvas, with a certain number of boys on board, and they were bringing these boys up in the same way as he was brought up at sea. They were taught discipline, which is very much required to-day, also to be clean, and finally to be sailors. The ship was run entirely by the boys, and if anybody wanted to see what British shipbuilders could do at their best he would advise them to take a trip to Falmouth any time after the end of May, and they will find as perfect a ship as ever sailed the seas. When he went across to Spain to bring the ship back to Britain in charge of a 10-knot tug, they set one sail to help the tug, and when they set a second sail the tugmaster said they had better take the sail off the ship as the ship was towing the tug.

It was announced that the collection was £175 3s. 6d.



The "crew" of the good ship "Wander Bird" tell Major Bell (second from left) about their adventurous crossing of the ocean in their antiquated craft. The party reached Nassau, Bahamas, 60 days after sailing from Le Havre, France. (Left to right) Capt. Warwick M. Tompkins, of Berkeley, California; Major Bell, Mrs. Tompkins and Miss Barbara Leighton, of New York City.

Howell, and the Lancashire and National Sea Training Homes at Wallasey, for which over £2,400 has already been raised.

The Pacific Steam Navigation Company—one of the oldest of British shipping companies and a pioneer in steam—once more bore all the expenses of the evening, so that every penny received will go to the nautical institutions. All the scenes, reminiscent of the sailing from dock of a sailing ship, were staged as the Blue Water took her departure from the Mersey, the crew joining in a very merry condition, with two of the men being escorted on shore by police, while the crew was completed by the "pierhead jumpers," and then, after the tug had coast off, the yards were sweated up to the singing of chants.

Distinguished Crew.
Among the distinguished crew of the vessel were the Commodore, Lord Kilsant, C.M.G.; Vice-Commodore, the Lady Kilsant; Rear-Commodore, the Lady Mayores (Mrs. Lawrence D. Holt); Admiral of the Port, the Lord Mayor (Councillor Lawrence Holt); Flag Captain, Mr. William Lewis.

One of the semaphore messages transmitted during the proceedings was "Good Luck to the new Queen of the Pacific, the new superliner that the P.S.N. Company are putting into service at the end of this year to show what a real liner is."

The Lord Mayor, as Admiral of the Port, said, the occasion was a very happy one in the very round of Liverpool. They liked the flavour of the sea, and especially on those occasions when it was given to them to be excellently by those who serve at sea. They knew the value of the sea in Liverpool, and God forbid that they should ever forget it, for assuredly the day when they did they ceased to be either a city or a country of importance. That noble hall would

WARSHIPS IN PORT

British warships in port this morning were:

In Basin of R.N. Dockyard:
Tami, Suez, Somme, Thracian.
West Wall: Hermes.
No. 4 Buoy: Bridgewater.
No. 12 Buoy: Sandwich.
No. 13 Buoy: Marazion.
Foreign men-of-war in port were:
U.S. gunboat Helena.
U.S.S. Canopus.
U.S.S./Ma. 36, 37, 38, 39, 40.
Portuguese Cruiser Adamastor.
French Cruiser Waldeck-Rousseau.
French Gunboat Argus.
Chinese Cruiser Hai Kung.

NAVAL MOVEMENTS.

H.M.S. Berwick will probably leave Devonport on May 8, and will arrive here on June 15.
H.M.S. Suffolk will probably leave Hong Kong on June 15 for the United Kingdom to be refitted and recommissioned.

FIRING EXERCISE.

British warships in port will carry out night firing exercise South and East of Waglan Light to-morrow night.

STEAMER'S MOVEMENTS

The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Russia from Hong Kong on April 6, arrived at Vancouver on April 26.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE

Consignees of cargo ex M.V. "Viminale" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after May 5.

NAVY LEAGUE.

Many Subscriptions in
Arrears.

SEPOY FUND RESPONSE

Mr. A. L. Shields took the chair at the annual meeting of the Hong Kong branch of the Navy League, held yesterday in the Hong Kong Hotel. He was supported by Rear-Admiral R. A. S. Hill (Vice-President), Mr. C. Champkin, Mr. W. A. Dowley (Hon. Treasurer), and Mr. M. G. Marriott (Hon. Secretary).

Subscriptions Wanted!
In proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, the Chairman commented on the fact that although there were 200 members last year, only 74 paid their subscriptions. He appealed for more members and a readier payment of dues.

The balance sheet showed that the sum of £152-11-7 (\$1,738.59) was remitted to London during the year and that the proceeds from the concert realised \$2,683.22. There was a balance in hand of \$1,141.07 as against \$1,220.18 the previous year.

The Committee recorded with regret the deaths during the year of Messrs. W. J. Eldridge, J. E. Hancock, Captain G. D. Arthur, and Mr. L. M. Whyte. Mr. Whyte had acted as Hon. Secretary for six years, and was at all times an enthusiastic and strenuous worker.

Importance Of The League.
The Chairman emphasised the importance of the Navy League's work, stating that there had never been a time in our history when it was so important to keep people "Navy-minded." The League's endeavour was to keep statesmen and the people staunch in their belief that the Navy was the first and last defence of the Empire.

The Sepoy Fund.

The Committee returned thanks to the whole local community for the generous support of the Sepoy fund. It was hoped that when the fund first suggested in the China Mail closed in a few days it would be found possible to remit the sum of £1,000 to London. The amount received to noon yesterday was £52-10-0 and \$10,503.

The intention is to have the money distributed without delay, and the Vice-President, Rear-Admiral Hill, will advise and assist the Committee in this matter.

The Officers.
Mr. A. L. Shields was elected President and Rear-Admiral R. A. S. Hill was re-elected Vice-President. Mr. W. A. Dowley was reappointed Hon. Treasurer, and Mr. M. G. Marriott Hon. Secretary.

The Committee were elected as follows: Messrs. C. Champkin, R. Sutherland, T. H. R. Shaw, E. Cock, A. Hicks, C. A. J. Shrubsole, and Capt. T. T. Laurensen, D.S.C. It was decided to send a wreath annually from the Hong Kong branch of the Navy League to be placed in Trafalgar Square on Nelson Day.

AIR CRASH.

Seven Spectators of
Stunt Hurt.

Fayetteville, Tenn., Yesterday.
Seven spectators were killed and a score injured when a stunt aeroplane crashed into a crowd watching an air circus.—Reuter's American Service.

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EMPRER OF ASIA	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 3	July 12
EMPRER OF CANADA	July 10	July 13	July 15	July 17	July 25
EMPRER OF RUSSIA	July 23	July 26	July 29	July 31	Aug. 9
EMPRER OF JAPAN	Aug. 7	Aug. 10	Aug. 12	Aug. 14	Aug. 22
EMPRER OF ASIA	Aug. 20	Aug. 23	Aug. 25	Aug. 27	Sept. 6
EMPRER OF CANADA	Sept. 4	Sept. 7	Sept. 9	Sept. 11	Sept. 19
EMPRER OF RUSSIA	Sept. 17	Sept. 20	Sept. 23	Sept. 25	Oct. 4
EMPRER OF JAPAN	Oct. 2	Oct. 5	Oct. 7	Oct. 9	Oct. 17
EMPRER OF ASIA	Oct. 15	Oct. 18	Oct. 21	Oct. 23	Nov. 1
EMPRER OF CANADA	Oct. 30	Nov. 2	Nov. 4	Nov. 6	Nov. 14
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*KIDDERPORE	5,334	21st May	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
MANTUA	10,946	21st May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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*LAHORE	5,304	9th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KHIVA	9,135	9th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*ALIPORE	5,273	11th May	Moji & Kobe.
TALAMBA	8,018	15th May	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
TAKADA	6,949	17th May	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
RANPURA	10,901	23rd May	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
TALMA	10,000	1st June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*JEYPORE	5,318	1st June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KARMALA	9,128	6th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*MORELA	10,954	20th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KALYAN	9,144	4th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAJPUTANA	10,668	15th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.

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TWO WOMEN PIRATE
LEADERS IN CHINA.REBEL ARMY CHIEFS OFFER
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MAD WOMAN'S PRANKS.

For several years two women about 30 years old have been the guiding influences in the operation of two large Chinese bands of criminals (says the New York Times). One is the chief of a pirate gang operating along the South China coast and the other, a terrorist Amazon known as the Widow Chang, is the leader of a small bandit army in Western Honan Province.

Unsuccessful. Several military leaders have sent soldiers to catch each of the women but without success. Both way they are invulnerable to bullets, and continue to stage raid after raid, taking what suits them and slaying all who offer resistance.

The Widow Chang is perhaps the better known of the strange pair. According to reports about her in the Chinese Press, she was once the wife of a wealthy merchant who was robbed and killed by bandits. She became partially insane, turned bandit as a means of revenge and now heads one of the largest gangs in Honan.

Attempts to Recruit. So successful has she been in her criminal enterprises that several Honan military authorities have made open attempts to recruit her, offering her a high rank if she would give up her life of banditry. A curt refusal has been her reply to all such advances.

In some districts where she operates she is called Marshal Chang by the common people and her subordinates with whom she is exceptionally popular.

Missionaries, who have sometimes been the objects of her raids, report that she plasters towns through which she passes with bright-coloured posters bearing such slogans as "Rob the rich" and "Save the poor."

A Mystery. With the exception of the fact that she occasionally leads her pirates aboard large coastal steamers, the woman bandit leader in the South is largely a mystery. Once she created a sensation by taking her gang of bad men as passengers aboard the Dell Maru, a large Japanese ship, and sailing it after it was less than a day out of port.

This happened between Swatow and Hong Kong, and the pirate chieftain, after seizing the officers and herding the crew aft, took possession of the ship.

As it was loaded principally with matches and bulky foodstuffs and the passengers, who were mostly Chinese, possessed few valuables and money, she publicly gave vent to her disgust by twerking the first mate's nose. The pirate, she told the mate, had cost her \$1,500, and she felt lucky to realise half that sum.

Took Possession. After her men had gone through the pockets and luggage of all the passengers on board, the woman leader mounted the bridge and flourishing two automatic pistols took possession. Two Sikh guards attempted to resist and she shot both of them, one dying a week later in a Hong Kong hospital.

For forty-eight hours she stood guard with her pirates, and, according to reports, even took turns at the wheel, relieving the Japanese pilot, whom she kept on the job at the point of a pistol. Putting into a small bay, above Hong Kong, she took her men ashore and presumably fled into the interior.

This is her last known adventure. Nothing has been heard from her since, but the Canton and Hong Kong authorities are not sure that she will not appear again before long.

Three men, who were painting a bridge across the River Taif, at Cardiff, fell into the water when some staging collapsed. All efforts to rescue them failed.

"Scarface" Czopne is expected to remain in Chicago until the primary elections, in order to sell the services of his gang to the highest bidder.

At a Rome flying ground, an aeroplane, started by accident, made a short flight without a pilot.

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SHANGHAI GANGSTERS AT
WORK.

COMPRADORE KIDNAPPED.

Shooting the Chinese chauffeur through the shoulder, a gang of four armed men, in broad daylight on the morning of April 21, kidnapped Mr. Tong Tsu-zu, a wealthy Chinese and one of the compradores of the Bank of Communications, outside his residence in Sinza Road and drove their victim off in his own car. The chauffeur, who made a gallant attempt to save his master, was thrown from the car and eventually found his way to the Gordon Road Police Station where he reported the matter.

The daring crime was committed shortly after 9.30 a.m. outside a small lane leading off Sinza Road between Medhurst and Carter Roads. Careful preparations had obviously been made by the gang who had been waiting in the vicinity for some time, according to residents who witnessed the kidnapping. Mr. Tong left his house as usual shortly before 9.30, and walked a short distance from his house down a small lane to Sinza Road where his car was waiting.

Mr. Tong was about to step into his car when four men approached and their appearance was such that Mr. Tong told his chauffeur to get the car moving as quickly as possible. At the same time he stepped into the car.

The four men closed round the vehicle and two of them producing pistols, ordered the driver to leave the wheel. Instead, the latter started the engine and attempted to drive off.

Without hesitation one of the kidnapers fired two shots, one of which struck the side of the car and the other entered the driver's shoulder. He collapsed at the wheel as two of the men jumped into the back seat and kept Mr. Tong covered. The other two men dragged the chauffeur from the driving seat and bundled him into the roadway. One of the men then took the wheel and drove off.

The affair took place so quickly and the shots so startled the people passing in the vicinity, that few of them were able to give any connected version of the kidnapping.

The chauffeur, bleeding profusely, from the wound in his shoulder, obtained a ricksha and drove to the nearest station where he informed the police who are now making investigations.—Shanghai Times.

STRANGE FREAK.

Boulders Roll into
Harbour.

A strange disturbance on the floor of the ocean to-day caused a heavy surf which damaged 300 feet of the breakwater off Plymouth harbour.

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Engineers are puzzled over the steady continuance of the submarine disturbances.—United Press.

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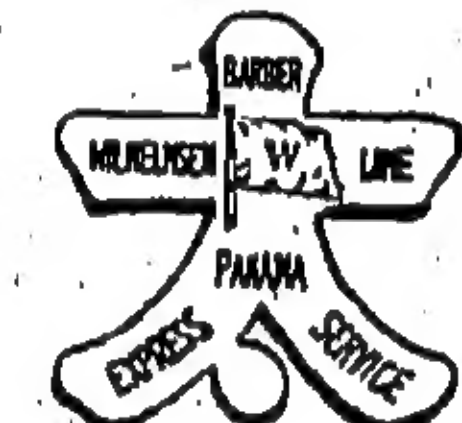
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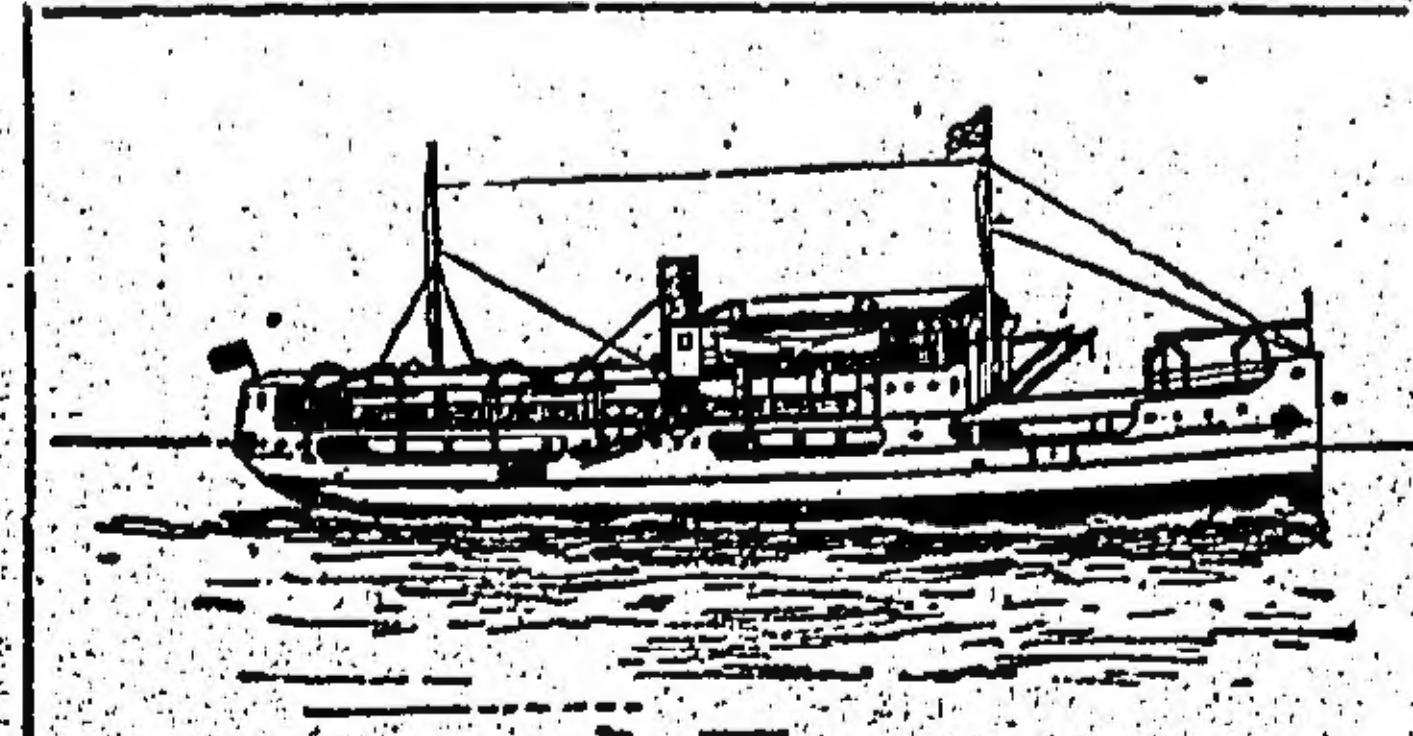
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DEATH

DE JESUS.—Maria Conceicao de Jesus (Chia) died at 8 p.m. on April 28, 1930, at St. Joseph's Home, Kowloon City, at the age of 77 years.—Shanghai and Manila papers please copy.

Hong Kong, Tuesday, April 29, 1930.

BANZAI!

To-day the only local sign of celebration in honour of the birthday of His Imperial Majesty the Emperor of Japan is the "dressing" of the Japanese vessels in harbour. Abroad the Japanese observe their celebrations quietly and unostentatiously. Yet, looking to the short distance between Japan and Hong Kong and the growth of the Japanese colony here there seems no reason why at least a formal reception could not be held by the Japanese Consul-General on the lines of that arranged on the occasion of natal days of other non-British rulers. One cannot, of course, offer to be the guest of a stranger within our gates. That is not social or international etiquette; even so, the friendliness of all within the Colony toward our Japanese residents and the increasing part that the Japanese are taking in sport as well as in commerce prompts the humble suggestion that on the birthday of Tenno an opportunity should be given of even formally joining in the celebrations.

It is fitting that, on coming to the throne, the Emperor should have named the new era "Showa" or enlightened peace. He inherits the excellent qualities of his immediate ancestors, his father and grandfather, and is of keen intellect, interested in learning and sympathetic toward his subjects. Whilst Crown Prince he toured through Europe and broadened his knowledge and views of world affairs. This was the first time since the foundation of the Japanese Empire that an Imperial Prince, who was so soon to become the nation's ruler, had gone abroad on such an extensive tour. Utilising whatever spare hours he can find, His Imperial Majesty continues to gain additional knowledge of the world and of life. The Japanese people are proud to have as their Emperor such a young and enlightened sovereign, the grandson of the illustrious Emperor Meiji.

Only last year H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester passed through Hong Kong on his way to invest the Japanese Emperor with the insignia of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, "than which no higher mark of friendship and esteem is in His Majesty's power to bestow." Undoubtedly that Mission achieved much in cementing the ties of amity between Japan and the British Empire. Though we can only act the role of spectators of Japan's natal celebrations to-day we in this Colony can still wholeheartedly re-echo the sentiment of every Japanese in wishing their young Emperor "Many Happy Returns of the Day." May the era of "Showa," or enlightened peace, never be dimmed or marred by clouds of internal discord or external strife.

News in Brief

Mr. J. H. Jensen of the firm of Jensen and Co., left for Home via the United States by the s.s. President Cleveland.

Mr. J. J. Connell, President of Messrs. Connell Bros., the well-known import and export firm, left for Shanghai by the s.s. President Cleveland.

The Rev. and Mrs. G. H. Hewitt and their two children left for Home via Canada by the s.s. President Cleveland. The Rev. G. H. Hewitt is the Royal Naval Chaplain in Hong Kong.

Mr. Irwin S. Harris, Assistant Passenger Agent of the Dollar Line, left for Shanghai to-day by the s.s. President Cleveland after having been stationed temporarily in Hong Kong.

For the theft of four bars of fire irons from the cook-house of the Kwong Wah Hospital, a Chinese was at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning sentenced to receive ten strokes of the cane.

A Chinese woman was at the Kowloon Police Court to-day sentenced to eight months' hard labour for returning before her banishment term had expired. She was banished in 1929 for a term of five years.

ICE CREAM CARTS.

No Licences Issued for Them.

A NOVEL POINT.

Authority for banning ice cream trucks from the road was sought by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when Ng Tim, a hawker, was charged with causing an obstruction outside the side entrance of the Tai Yat Theatre in Battery Street.

The defendant admitted it, but pointed out to his Worship that last week when he was brought to Court for obstruction somewhere else, his truck was taken away by the Police. This time he had borrowed the truck.

His Worship: What is the authority for not allowing ice cream trucks on the roads?

Sergeant Barnicle: They issue no licences for them now.

The Magistrate pointed out that ice cream carts were allowed at Home. Why should they not be allowed here as well? If it would be easier to push carts about the place, than carry two buckets of ice cream. The latter was more likely to obstruct than the man who wheeled his things about.

A constable said that he was told to arrest the defendant by Traffic Inspector Nicol.

Div-Insp. Marks remarked that the defendant has been constantly chased away, and he recognised him from last year by his husky voice.

The Magistrate: Can you confiscate the trucks? I don't think you can do that.

Sergeant Barnicle, said that it was a matter for the traffic department.

His Worship remanded the case for 24 hours and told the Police Officer to enquire into the question of taking carts off the road entirely.

ALLEGED THEFT.

Peninsula Hotel Case Dismissed.

INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE.

An electrician of the Peninsula Hotel named Wong Fuk (22) was at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning again before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith charged with the theft of two pieces of lead, the property of the hotel.

Defendant denied the accusation. Detective Sergeant W. George Humphreys said: "At about 2.25 p.m. yesterday, as I was leaving the Water Police Station by the side entrance, facing the Peninsula Hotel, I saw the defendant carrying two pieces of lead in his hands, walking into the bushes at the base of the station. I shouted to him, and he ran away. I chased him, and when near Peking Road he dropped the lead, and ran on. I picked up the lead, and I then lost sight of him."

"I then went back to the Station, and about half an hour later I went to the Peninsula Hotel, to the engineering department, where I was shown some pieces of lead which were identical with the two pieces which I had. Whilst in the room I saw the defendant, whom I fully recognised, squatting at his work, and I arrested him."

"Defendant held that he never went out and that he only went to the bathroom, and for that purpose there was no need to ask permission. If he did leave there would have been a watchman who would have seen him and searched him at the gate. Mr. A. Fernandez, Assistant Engineer, gave evidence to say that the property was the Peninsula Hotel's. He was not sure whether the defendant did go out or not, though he did know that the defendant was at the lavatory for about half an hour, which was rather long."

His Worship said that the evidence so far was insufficient, and that surely there would be someone who would give evidence to say that the defendant did go out, if anyone saw him.

On the ground that the case was an incomplete one, his Worship discharged the defendant.

"PARKING" AGAIN.

European Driver in a Quandary.

"Parking trouble" caused the appearance of Mr. E. Owen before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning. Mr. Owen was summoned for parking his car outside Messrs. Lane, Crawford, and further for failing to produce his driving licence when called upon to do so by a Police officer.

In explanation, defendant stated that on April 15, the day in question, he came to make his daily call at Lane, Crawford's, by which firm he is employed. He went round to Padder Street, opposite the Post Office, but there

leave his car outside Lane, Crawford's, where it remained about ten minutes.

His Worship decided that a caution would meet the case, but on the other charge, that of failing to produce his licence, Mr. Owen

THEFTS FROM CARS.

Youth Who Acted Very Funnily.

IN A TRANCE?

Li Wong (13), a painter, was at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning before Mr. Whyte-Smith charged with two larcenies, namely,

(a) stealing from car No. 2481 parked outside 573 Nathan Road (Orient Building) on April 28, a pair of pliers, and three spanners, the property of Mr. C. L. Gan.

(b) stealing from car No. 2395 parked outside the Blue Taxi Garage, in Nathan Road, on April 26, a polishing cloth, and a driver's licence, the property of Mrs. E. Wong.

The youth pleaded guilty to both offences.

Detective-Sergeant Fitches said that the accused was arrested at 5.30 yesterday morning, sitting in a doorway near his house in Portland Street. He had with him a cloth in which were wrapped the motoring articles and the licence. When asked by the detective where he got them from, the boy replied that a man in Shamshui gave them to him. But this man he could not find and later he admitted stealing these things from two cars parked in Nathan Road.

Asked by the Magistrate why he stole, the boy became tongue-tied and refused to answer.

Sergeant Fitches remarked that the boy's mother was dead, and that his father brought him from Shanghai two years ago, and left him in the care of a Shanghai mechanic at 14 Portland Street. This man told the Police last night at the Yau-matli Police Station that the lad had been acting "very funny" the last few days or so. The officer added that he thought the boy had gone into a trance.

His Worship: Is it advisable to put him under observation for a week?

Sergeant Fitches replied that his master had thought of taking him back to Shanghai.

The master said that the lad was all right two months ago, but lately he had been staying away from the house for several nights.

His Worship: What do you think he has been doing?

The master replied that he thought he had been indulging in gambling.

His Worship ordered the defendant to receive 10 strokes of the cane in Court.

SUB-EDITOR LIABLE?

Debts Contracted by Weekly Paper.

JUDGE'S RULING.

Is a sub-editor liable for debts contracted by the journal on which he was employed was the question which the Puisse Judge, Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, had to decide this morning in the Summary Court, when the Wilson Printing Press claimed \$65.80 from Wong Sien-long, described as the registered proprietor of the Choice Weekly Press.

Mr. F. C. E. Rendall, who appeared for the plaintiff, said that defendant was known to his client for the last three years. Defendant had told his client that he was going to start a weekly journal, and all printing matters in connection therewith had been ordered by the defendant.

Mr. Horace Lo, appearing for the defendant, said that his client was merely the Sub-Editor of the weekly, and that being his true position, he could not be held liable for any debts contracted by the publication.

Evidence was heard, and judgment was given for plaintiff with costs.

OUR GOVERNOR.

Received by the King Before Departure.

Sir William Peel, who had been received at the Palace by the King on his appointment as Governor of Hong Kong, was present with Lady Peel at the afternoon party given by the King and Queen at Buckingham Palace recently. They were very busy making their final preparations for their departure for China.

They were to travel overland to Marseilles and join the Maloja there on April 11. At Aden they will transfer to the smaller liner Khiva, which proceeds to the Far East, and they will probably see some of their friends in Malaya when the vessel calls there before proceeding to Hong Kong.

Sir William and Lady Peel have greatly enjoyed their visit home, which has lasted much longer than they anticipated when they left Kuala Lumpur with the expectation of returning there for another period. Lady Peel has particularly appreciated the opportunity of seeing her family, from whom she has been parted for so many years.

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MUI-TSAI CASE.

Objection to Mr. Butters Prosecuting.

USURPING LAWYERS.

Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones, of Messrs. Wilkinson & Grist, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning raised an objection to Mr. H. R. Butters prosecuting on behalf of the Secretariat of Chinese Affairs, in connection with a case in which a Chinese married woman named Ho Yee-ku, living at 68

Laichikok Road, was charged with gross cruelty to a mui tsai named Chau Kok (seven) between October 30 and April 26.

Inspector M. J. Murphy, of the S.C.A., prosecuted.

Mr. Hugh-Jones applied for bail.

Insp. Murphy replied that he had been instructed to oppose any bail, as the case involved gross cruelty, and he knew that if his Worship were to convict on those lines, after medical evidence was given, his Worship would send the woman to prison without the option of a fine.

His Worship pointed out that in that instance he would exercise no discretion but he would just have to sentence the defendant.

Mr. Hugh-Jones, for the defendant, queried the point as to why she should not be allowed bail. When she was first charged she was allowed bail, but as soon as the medical report came in that was revoked. Even gross cruelty was not anything that could be considered dangerous.

Insp. Murphy stated that the medical report was to the effect that the mui tsai had wounds, cuts, and bruises all over her body, and she also had fractured fingers. That was the reason mainly why bail was refused.

His Worship thought that such was permissible. He refused bail, saying that hitherto in cases before concerning cruelty to mui tsais, he always granted bail in the sum of \$1,000. This was the first case of gross cruelty.

Insp. Murphy said that it was a case of persistent beating by the defendant.

Mr. Hugh-Jones raised the point that bail might be granted in a sum over \$1,000, but this was refused.

Reading the charge sheet, Mr. Hugh-Jones said that if Mr. Butters was to prosecute he would object.

His Worship replied that that question had been gone into before in some other cases.

Insp. Murphy said that in serious larceny cases the Inspector-General of Police was put down as complainant but he never appeared in Court, a subordinate Police officer did so. Therefore, from a legal point of view, any subordinate officer could represent his Department.

Mr. Hugh Jones said that he objected because the S.C.A. were not the complainants in this particular case. He added that he would also object if there were a special Ordinance empowering Mr. Butters to act. It was not in the interests of his client that he objected, but in the interests of the legal profession, whose prerogative Mr. Butters appeared to be usurping.

The hearing of the case was fixed for Friday, at 11.15 a.m.

A Second Case.

Bail in the sum of \$1,000 was granted to a Chinese woman at the Kowloon Police Court this morning when she appeared on a charge of beating her mui tsai with a cane at 176 Reclamation Street, on or about April 26, and was formally remanded for a week.

Det-Serg. Fitches appeared for the Police and his Worship fixed the hearing for May 13 at 2.15 p.m.

For being in the possession of wine on which duty had not been paid, a Chinese boatman was at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning fined \$500, with the alternative of three months' hard labour. The wine was confiscated.

Ten Years Ago

From the "China Mail"

April 29, 1920.

To-day's dollar is worth 4/834d.

The Hong Kong Justices of the Peace, who have little to do with justice, and less with the peace, are asked to decide which of two gentlemen shall have the honour of the "honourable" added to his name during the temporary absence of the Hon. Mr. Pollock.

Their choice lies between Mr. T. F. Hough and Mr. A. R. Lowe. Mr. Arthur Rylands Lowe is a Manchester man, which means to the knowing Briton a man of brains. He has been over 20 years here.

Mr. Thomas Frederick Hough—enough said. Hough is Hong Kong and Hong Kong is Hough, and never the twain can be parted.

There are no political principles concerned. Our two local budgig Tammanes are not involved, or, if they are, they are so mixed up with both candidates that it is impossible

to decide between them. The case is a simple one. The two gentlemen are asked to decide which of them shall have the honour of the "honourable" added to his name during the temporary absence of the Hon. Mr. Pollock.

Their choice lies between Mr. T. F. Hough and Mr. A. R. Lowe. Mr. Arthur Rylands Lowe is a Manchester man, which means to the knowing Briton a man of brains. He has been over 20 years here.

WASTE OF TIME.

Too Many World Conferences.

DELEGATES PROTEST.

Paris, Yesterday. Miss Margaret Bondfield (Britain), Sir Atul Chatterjee (India) and Dr. W. A. Riddell (Canada) protested against the frequency of international conferences at the opening of the Council of the International Labour Office, which discussed labour conditions in the Mercantile Marine. They stressed the difficulties of distant countries attending them.

Sir Atul Chatterjee and Dr. Riddell said they saw no necessity to hold a preparatory conference to the maritime conference. Miss Bondfield agreed if in the opinion of the Council it was the best means of reaching satisfactory results, but said that no date should be fixed before the Governments were consulted. France, Japan and Spain expressed the view that the preparatory conference was inopportune. —Reuter.

MAY DAY.

Precaution Taken in Shanghai.

Shanghai, Yesterday. Martial law was declared last night in the western district of Shanghai native city. This is the first step towards preventing possible Communist outbreaks on May Day.

The Settlement and French Concession authorities are also taking precautions against possible disturbances. —Reuter.

Appeal to British Troops.

Shanghai, Yesterday. The recrudescence of Communist and labour agitation is shown by the motor-bus and tramway strikes and the very active propaganda among postal and electric power employees to bring them out in sympathy, as well as the scattering of thousands of leaflets in the streets, which has caused apprehensions of a general strike in Shanghai on Labour Day.

However, the strong attitude of the Chinese authorities, who have proclaimed martial law in Greater Shanghai, coupled with a hundred and fifty arrests at the week-end, may prevent trouble.

This afternoon the police in the French Concession raided a lonely house and found a number of Chinese feverishly turning out Communist Labour Day propaganda wholesale with one of the most modern printing plants in Shanghai. The police seized four tons of literature, including appeals in English addressed to the foreign troops. —Reuter.

COLONY'S FUTURE.

Chinese Merchants Full of Confidence.

FREQUENT INTERRUPTIONS.

Chinese merchants are confident that commerce will eventually be lifted out of the rut to which it has sunk since the general strike of 1925.

At the annual meeting of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce yesterday, a very optimistic note was sounded. In his review, the Chairman, Mr. Li Yik-mui said, inter alia:—

"The trade depression which visited the Colony some two or three years ago is still with us, and the situation as regards trade has not in any way improved. Since Hong Kong is not a big producing or consuming centre, the commercial people here are not in a position to lift the Colony out of the rut.

The trouble in Kwangtung and Kwangsi, the civil war, and unrest generally, have resulted in a suspension of trade during the major part of the year under review and the movement of goods from Hong Kong to the interior has been frequently interrupted. Similarly, our business with North China has been disturbed by political activities on the Yangtze and other places in Central China.

In spite of all these handicaps, I feel sure Chinese merchants have still every confidence in the future of this Colony—a Colony which, geographically, cannot be ignored, as it forms the connecting link between two oceans, besides being the principal seaport in South China. We can only hope that China's civil wars will soon come to an end, as this will mean a speedy revival of trade and commerce for the merchants of Hong Kong and South China."

The Monthly Meeting.

Following the annual meeting, the monthly meeting was held, when a letter from Mr. O. R. P. the Passport Officer at Singapore, was read. It was stated that as from June 30, passenger passes issued to Chinese by the S.C.A. in Hong Kong and British Consuls at Amoy, Swatow, and other Chinese ports will not be accepted in lieu of passports.

The Chamber decided to make further enquiries.

The Dollar Again.

More complaints were received from tradesmen in regard to the silver dollar. These merchants, it was stated, were being forced to accept silver dollars for which they suffered a loss of \$10 in every

"NEW YORKERS."

Mirth And Melody at the Star.

PLEASING PERFORMANCE.

The "New Yorkers," formerly known as the Ruth Van Valey troupe, made a welcome re-appearance at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, last night, when they opened for a very short season.

Miss Ruth Van Valey, whose delightful dancing was much appreciated on the occasion of the last visit, has some new and original numbers, which she gives in most artistic and graceful style. No less successful is Jack Medford, aptly termed "the boy with the nimble feet."

Mantel's Marionettes are prominently featured on the bill and the amusing antics of these little people were received with much applause.

Miss Kathrine Scott at the piano scored a distinct personal success, and other first-class artists produced a programme of sustained excellence.

BOYS KIDNAPPED?

Suggestion of Plan Pre-Arranged.

Ng Chun, a street coolie, residing at 1152, Canton Road, Kowloon, has reported to the Police that at about 8.30 p.m. on Sunday, Ng Yat, described as a "friend," paid him a visit, and stayed there until 12.30 a.m., when another man named Cheung Fuk arrived.

The new arrival suggested to Ng Yat that they should go out to get some tea, which the pair did, taking with them their host's two sons, Ng Hing-wai, aged eight, and Ng Kwok-wai, aged five. Since that time nothing has been seen of either the men or the boys, and the father fears that they may have been kidnapped.

\$1,000. The letters were sent to the Currency Committee for their consideration.

The "regiment" of hawkers in Hillier Street petitioned the Chamber to make representation to the Government on their behalf. They alleged that the Police had ordered them to move out of their allotted places in Hillier Street so as to make room for motor traffic. The Hon. Dr. S. W. T'ao was asked to look into the matter.

Chater Memorial Scholarship. Regarding the Sir Paul Chater Memorial Scholarship, which was mentioned at a previous meeting, it was now reported that a letter had been received from the General Chamber of Commerce informing the Chinese Chamber that a Portuguese student had been awarded the Scholarship this year.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions

To-day—Tea Dance at Hong Kong Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

To-day—Tea Dance at Peninsula Hotel, 5 p.m.

To-day—Dinner Dances at Hong Kong, Repulse Bay, and Peninsula Hotels, 8.30 p.m.

May 1—St. John's Cathedral Hall Whist Drive, 8.45 p.m.

Entertainments

To-day—Queen's Theatre, "Melody Lane."

To-day—Star Theatre, "While the City Sleeps" (matinee); Ruth Van Valey and Company in "The New Yorkers," 9.15 p.m.

To-day—World Theatre, "Fire Brigade."

To-day—Majestic Theatre, "Braveheart."

Sports

See Special Sports Diary on page 8.

Home Malls.

To-morrow—Inward from Europe via Negapatam (Antenor); Outward for Europe via Siberia (Empress of Asia), 10 a.m.

Lammerts' Auction.

May 5—At Dr. Heenley's Laboratory and dwelling house, household and office furniture and laboratory glassware, 2.30 p.m.

Meetings.

To-day—Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.

To-morrow—Macao Electric Lighting Co. Ltd., Prince's Buildings, noon.

May 7—Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Hotel, 11.30 a.m.

Miscellaneous.

May 9—Union Church Annual Spring Jumble Sale.

ROUND THE CINEMAS

"Melody Lane" at Queen's Theatre.

THE CHIEF STAR.

Eddie Leonard, who stars in "Melody Lane," at the Queen's Theatre, was born in Richmond, Va., and started out as a minstrel when he was about 16 years old. He has appeared with all of the great minstrels. Haverly, Primrose, Dockstader, and others and in many shows of his own. He is famous as the composer and singer of such favourite songs as "Ida, Sweet As Apple Cider," "Coon, Coon, Coon," "Roly Boly Eyes," "Oh, Didn't It Rain" and "Oh Anna."

In 1904 he appeared in a show called "Lifting The Lead" at the New Amsterdam Theatre, N.Y., and subsequently he appeared in "The Southerners." Then came "Roly Boly Eyes" for John Cort at the Knickerbocker; Primrose and Dockstader's minstrels and George Cohan's and Sam Harris' "Minstrel Extravaganzas."

In 1910 he opened "Eddie Leonard's Minstrels" which he continued until he signed with Carl Laemmle to appear in "Melody Lane."

"BRAVEHEART"

Rod La Rocque's New Picture To-day.

One of the most realistic football games ever screened is shown in Rod La Rocque's new star picture, "Braveheart," which will be shown at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon, to-day.

"Braveheart" is the son of an Indian chief who is sent to college to learn the white man's ways of doing things, so that the Indians might recover certain fishing rights vouchsafed to them by a treaty, but of which they were arbitrarily deprived. Braveheart falls in love with Dorothy Nelson, played by Lillian Rich, and her brother Frank, with Braveheart, is a member of the college football team.

It transpires that Frank plots to change signals in order that the opposing team might win the game and he cash in heavily on big bets he has made. The trick is discovered and Frank is about to be exposed when Braveheart shoulders the guilt. He does this in order to save Dorothy from shame and humiliation, and when he is expelled from college, Dorothy convinced of his guilt, turns from him in loathing. He bears his disgrace manfully and then comes to the realization that, after all, the blood of a white girl and a red Indian can never mix, and he devotes his future life to the betterment of Indian tribal conditions.

The picture is packed with thrilling scenes, among which are an Indian uprising, the burning of a big fish-canning plant, a fierce fight between Braveheart and a renegade Indian who seeks to force his love upon Dorothy, the appearance of troops with orders to massacre the Indians, and Braveheart's induction as tribal chief.

The supporting cast includes such well-known players as Lillian Rich, Robert Edison and Tyrone Sower.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of HONG KONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED, will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on WEDNESDAY, the 7th day of May, 1930, at 12 o'clock noon.

To receive, in pursuance of the Chairman's speech at the last Annual General Meeting of the Company, a Statement from the Chairman as to the position in regard to the proposals for the acquisition of the Motor Bus and Garage Undertaking of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Hotels, Limited.

By Order of the Board, W. F. SIMMONS, Secretary.

Hong Kong, 29th April, 1930.

RECEPTION ON THE ARRIVAL OF H.E. SIR WILLIAM PEEL, K.B.E.

OFFICIAL WELCOME AND PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS.

AT A PUBLIC MEETING held at the City Hall on FRIDAY, the 4th April, it was decided to present H.E. Sir WILLIAM PEEL, K.B.E., with an Address of WELCOME on his arrival in this Colony, which will be during the morning of the 8th May next.

At the same Public Meeting it was decided that the whole of the Theatre Royal should be thrown open to the public without charge save only that the stage be reserved for the Reception Committee, Members of the Executive and Legislative Councils, Representatives of the Navy, Army and Air Forces and the Heads of Public Departments, the first two rows of the stalls for the Consular Body and their wives and the representatives of the Churches, also the first two rows of the dress circle for ladies.

It is hoped that as many residents of the Colony as possible will attend this Public Meeting at the Theatre Royal, and thus give a practical demonstration of the support of the Colony to its new Governor.

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HIGH COST OF KISSING!

PASSIONATE YOUNG MAN PAYS DEARLY.

THE ART OF OSCULATION.

The high cost of kissing was brought home vividly to the head of a presumptuous young man of Manila recently when in an attempt to kiss an unknown girl, he had to give up his lower lip.

Josefina Gonzalez, 25, married and residing at 847 San Marcelino was going to her work at Calle Arizala, when on passing by General Luna Street in front of U. F. high school, an unknown man, who had been waiting for her, stepped forward and proposed marriage right on the spot. Josefina replied in substance, "Thanks for your attention, but there's not a chance, I'm already married."

The young gallant was not to be easily balked that way. He seized Josefina around the waist, hugged her tight, and kissed her passionately on her lips, cheeks and eyes. The woman defended her virtue in a very practical way. With a paring knife she was cutting, she returned a blow for every kiss.

The lover's passion was now uncontrollable and he kissed the girl again. Exasperated, the woman made use of another weapon that she had—her teeth. She bit the lower lip of the man so hard that it was completely torn off.

The blood-thirsty devotee of chastity turned out to be Gregorio Jimenez, 27, labourer, and residing in Malabon, Rizal. He and Josefina had never met before, according to declarations made at the investigation conducted by the police. It was purely a case of love at first sight.

The man was sentenced to one month and a day by Judge Rodan of the Municipal Court.

ANCIENT ROME.

Excavations in the Imperial Forum.

Rome, April 15. Archaeological excavations and the restoration of Rome's ancient monuments and buildings will continue this year with unabated vigour, a sum of approximately \$40,000 having been set aside by the Municipality of Rome for excavations in the Imperial Forum, the Circus Maximus and the Crypt of Augustus, and for restoring and completely isolating from its surrounding slums, the theatre of Marcellus.

The ancient portions of Rome are taking on a new appearance. The Forums, temples, and other historic monuments of the past, no longer stand neglected in mean streets, but are being gradually isolated and raised off, and surrounded by gardens where, following the plan used on the Palatine, it is the care of the archaeologists to plant those shrubs and flowers which were in common use during the Roman Empire.

Cleaned And Polished.

The broken and chipped marble columns of temples have been cleaned and polished until they now glisten in the sun as they did in the times of the Caesars.

The Capitol, now known as the Campidoglio, which is Rome's City Hall, is now all but isolated from the struggling mean streets, and will shortly stand alone on the Capitoline hill, a dignified and tremendous relic of the past.

It is now proposed to revive the once famous Roman Carnival, now fallen into disuse, at the nearby bathing resort of Ostia, and there is also talk of reviving the famous horse race which, in the old days, was run down the principal street of Rome, the Corso Romano, which takes its name from this ancient event.—British United Press.

Settlement was reached in the Probate Court in a will case in which the plaintiff, who was suing his son, was stated to be dying in the work-house.

The Committee of the House of Commons considering the Underground Railways Bill has approved the extension of the Piccadilly Tube from Finsbury Park to Cockfosters.

Dr. Albert Baillie, Dean of Windsor, criticised the notion some young people had that immorality was necessary to great art.

WATER SUPPLY.

Storage in the Island Much Lower.

BIGGER CONSUMPTION.

The total storage in the island reservoirs on Monday, April 28 amounted to 644.57 million gallons, showing a decrease of 26.69 million gallons during the past week. The amount collected from streams was 13.80 million gallons. The weekly consumption amounted to 56.68 million gallons which included 16.29 million gallons from the Shing Mun supply.

Kowloon Water Supply

The total storage in the mainland reservoirs on Monday, April 28 amounted to 388.41 million gallons, showing a decrease of 7.27 million gallons during the past week.

The week's consumption amounted to 28.54 million gallons, not including Hong Kong supplies and 2 million gallons supplied to water boats at Lanchowok.

The yield from the Shing Mun River and streams during the week was 39.56 million gallons.

Storage

The following shows the amount in storage (million gallons) on the dates named:

	Hong Kong	Mainland
April 22	326.38	130.81
May 6	311.72	121.65
June 3	237.90	87.96
June 17	192.79	80.51
July 3	157.79	105.52
August 5	1,251.88	438.58
September 2	1,187.13	467.96
October 7	1,880.13	514.98
November 4	1,699.58	514.64
December 2	1,514.80	496.54

Consumption

The following figures show the weekly consumption (million gallons) on the dates mentioned:—

	Hong Kong	Mainland
April 22	37.66	30.76
May 6	38.03	27.17
June 3	27.48	24.86
June 17	27.14	11.08
July 3	27.22	20.74
August 5	26.32	22.28
September 2	31.85	25.17
October 7	58.41	28.97
November 4	54.90	28.70
December 2	54.22	28.81

Lowest for 1929 in Kowloon.
Lowest for 1929 in Island.

	Hong Kong	Mainland
January 6	46.91	25.38
" 13	45.60	24.17
" 20	47.50	25.47
" 27	47.10	25.21
February 3	50.76	23.74
" 10	47.71	23.74
" 17	45.11	24.86
" 24	46.69	26.22
March 3	48.87	26.88
" 10	46.71	24.89
" 17	47.82	26.40
" 24	48.84	26.26
April 7	50.43	25.64
" 14	49.68	25.18
" 21	58.57	28.89
" 28	56.04	28.62
" 28	56.68	28.54

Highest in Kowloon during period of publication of weekly reports.
Highest in Island in 1929.
Including first supply from Shing Mun.

VICE-CONSUL DROWNED

Hankow, Yesterday.

The British Consulate here has received a telegram stating that the Vice-Consul, Mr. Malcolm Montgomery, was accidentally drowned at Changsha whilst bathing.—Reuters.

[Mr. Malcolm Roland Montgomery arrived in China in August, 1921, to join H.B.M. Consular Service, going to the Peking Legation. He was educated at Leys School, Cambridge, and the Royal Military College at Sandhurst, and saw two years' service with the Royal Dublin Fusiliers, putting in twelve months in France during the late war, and winning the Military Cross.]

AUTOMOBILISM.

Parking Problem in the Colony.

POLICE CO-OPERATION.

At the annual general meeting of the Hong Kong Automobile Association, held last night, Mr. Ho Leung, the President, referred to the question of local taxation of motor vehicles, as regards horse power and petrol. He stated that the Committee had taken up the matter very strongly with the Government on behalf of the Colony's motorists, and it was hoped that the "representations" would be well received.

The question of parking in Hong Kong and Kowloon had also come under consideration by the Committee. Improvements are already apparent, the President said, but those on the Kowloon side would have to be composed themselves in patience until the new lay-out for the Star Ferry approach at Kowloon Park was given out by the Government. In the meantime the Association was working in friendly collaboration with the Police authorities, who "are ever ready to listen to reasonable and practical proposals for the convenience and benefit of the public."

Criticism Answered.

Alluding to recent criticism of the Association, the President reiterated that the Association was all for rendering service to motorists, and would be only too glad to help members when called upon to do so.

After a reference to the success of the annual dinner, held at the Peninsula Hotel on January 17 last, the President returned thanks to Mr. C. P. Macleod, the honorary secretary, who is shortly going on home leave. Thanks were also accorded Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., for the use of their Board Room for all the meetings.

Officials Elected.

After the proposition had been carried unanimously, the chairman, in proposing the election of Mr. P. M. Hodgson as President, said that he needed no introduction as he had already done a great deal of work for the Association. He had been honorary secretary for a number of years and he was President in 1928. The election was approved.

Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy was elected vice-President and Messrs. Linstead and Davis were re-elected treasurers. The following were elected to the Committee: Messrs. G. E. S. Updell, C. C. Hiskling, Ho Leung, J. Smith, E. J. Spradbury, A. Stevenson, E. C. Trellis, G. H. Wilson, F. Mead, M. K. Lo, and Captain C. B. Riggs.

Appeal For Members.

Mr. Hodgson, in thanking the meeting for the honour done him in electing him President of the Association, made a strong plea for more members. There were about 2,000 private car owners in the Colony, he said, and every one of them should be a member of the Association. (Applause). The expense of joining was nominal, and as insurance companies gave members a special rebate on premiums, which in most cases covered subscription to the Association, motorists really joined the Association for nothing. He personally intended to make an effort to more than double the membership. (Applause).

LOOTING BANDITS.

Thousand Taken for Ransom.

Shanghai, Yesterday. A telegram has been received by the Chinese military headquarters stating that more than a thousand people were killed and a thousand taken captive and carried off for ransom, when bandits looted Kiangsueh, in North Kiangsu on Saturday.

The brigands, who were armed inter alia, with twenty machine-guns, burned to the ground every house and shop in the city, after murdering the town officials and all who resisted, leaving the town a mass of ruins.

The brigands then made off, and it is understood that troops are being sent to round up the miscreants.—Reuters.

A comparison between British and Continental hotels was made before the Licensing Commission, the suggestion being made that British hotels are inferior.

Lady Houston has transferred securities worth \$100,000 to the governors of St. Thomas's Hospital, the fund to be known as "The Lady Houston Gift."

MALARIA FEVER.

A Useful Ross Institute Pamphlet.

HINTS FOR PATIENTS.

That malaria causes a quarter or more of the total sickness in the tropics is one of the points emphasised in a 15 page pamphlet, A Summary of Facts Regarding Malaria, by Colonel Sir Ronald Ross, K.C.B., the director-in-chief of the Ross Institute and Hospital for Tropical Diseases, and Sir Malcolm Watson, principal of malarial control at the Ross Institute.

A second and revised edition of the pamphlet has just been published by John Murray, Albemarle St., W., at the price of sixpence.

The pamphlet explains, in non-technical language, how the malarial parasites (plasmodia) are introduced into the blood through the proboscis of an anopheles mosquito, take up their residence such in a red corpuscle, and produce a number of spores which escape from the containing corpuscle and enter fresh corpuscles. And it is explained that this method of propagation may continue for years.

"Millions of Millions." Thus, though only a few hundreds or thousands of the parasites may have been originally introduced through the mosquito's proboscis, their number rapidly increases until as many as some millions of millions of them may exist in the blood.

The various types of malaria fever are clearly described and it is emphasised originally introduced through the proboscis of the parasites and curing the infection "it will not generally destroy all the parasites in the body unless it is given in sufficient doses, and continued for several months; and as long as a single parasite remains alive in the blood, infection is continued and the patient may be subject to relapses."

Relapses are much less frequent if the patient remains in bed for forty-eight hours after an attack of fever. At least five grains (1/3 gramme) of quinine should be taken by an adult patient every day without fail for four months; but he should consult a medical man regarding details of the treatment.

The mode of infection and the life history and habits of anopheles mosquitoes are next described. It will surprise some people to learn that the anopheles consist of about 120 known species, only some of which carry malaria.

Finally come a few hints as to personal prevention.



She Began Improving At Once

When the Doctor Prescribed Baby's Own Tablets.

"My little girl had a hard time getting her teeth," writes Mrs. David Lee, of Lindsay, Ontario, Canada. "She was feverish, her tongue was coated, her breath offensive and she vomited milk."

"On the advice of our doctor I gave her Baby's Own Tablets and she began improving at once. She had not slept well at nights for three months and I was almost worn out caring for her."

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Physicians prescribe Baby's Own Tablets because they know that they contain absolutely no injurious ingredients, can be given with perfect safety even to the youngest infant, and are a specific remedy in cases of simple fever, constipation, colic, indigestion, diarrhoea, teething troubles, cramp, and colds, also to expel worms. Of chemists everywhere 60 cents per vial.

Have You Heard?

A Glasgow man on hearing that his Aberdeen friend was getting married decided to give him a present.

Being a Scotsman he was very careful in his choice, and sent his Aberdeen friend two pigeons, which were "homers."

A few days later the Glasgow man received a letter reading: "Dear Jock, the pigeons tasted fine."

Crabbe: "To-day, for the first time, I was really delighted to hear my neighbour's piano going."

Friend: "Something worth listening to, I suppose?"

Crabbe: "I should say so. I heard the hire-purchase men taking it away."

"What does a bride think as she enters the church?"

"Aisle Altar Hymn!"

The daughter of her mother was doing a stunt on the piano.

"My daughter's music," said the proud parent, "cost a lot of money."

"Indeed," rejoined the visitor. "Did some neighbour sue you?"

Mrs. Chick was reading the fashion page of the evening newspaper, while her husband sat quietly smoking.

"John, dear," she suddenly exclaimed, "it states here the dresses are to be much longer this spring."

Her husband, closing his eyes, sat back smiling, and in a dreamy voice murmured, "I don't mind. I've got a very good memory."

Two ladies were watching a mutual acquaintance passing by. "There goes Mrs. Newfangle," remarked one, "wearing a Pompeian hat."

"Why Pompeian?" inquired the other. "Oh, it looks as if it had been buried and dug up again!"

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Banks.						
Hong Kong Bank	1415	...	Dec.	Final 24 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Chartered Bank	172	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Mercantile Bk., A.S.B.	302	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Bank of Asia	109	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Insurance.						
Canton Ins.	835	...	Dec.	Final 2/7 for 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Union Ins.	145	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
China Underwriters	11	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
China Fire Ins.	358	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
H. K. Fire Ins.	900	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Shipping.						
Douglases	321	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
H. K. Steamboats	36	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Indo-China (Pref.)	18	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Shell Transports	991	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Union Waterboats	37	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Mining.						
Benquet	370	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Kailan Mining Ad. s/f	56/3	...	June	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Langkat (Comb.) s/f	18/60	...	Oct.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Shal Exploration s/f	130	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Loans	540	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Raubs	23	...	Mar.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Trench Mines	21/	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.						
H. K. & W. Wharves	154	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
H. K. & W. Docks	38	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
China Provident	510	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Hongkong	245	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
N. Engineering s/f	81	...	Dec.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Shanghai Docks s/f	125	...	Apr.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Cotton Mills.						
Ewo Cottons	181	1840	...	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Shai Cotton (old) s/f	80	...	Apr.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30
Shai Cotton (new) s/f	78	...	Oct.	Final 1/10 a/c 1929 (1929 1/2 bonus 1/3 free) 1/10 a/c 1929 Apr. — 30

MONEY MARKETS.

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P. and O. Bank itself is in its general operations doing quite a satisfactory business.

Bombay Cotton Mills.

In Bombay, the cotton mills have been and are suffering badly from the effect of Japanese competition. Added to which the industry has been hampered and harassed with constant strikes fomented by agitators, who seem determined to do their best to ruin the staple industry of Bombay. The mills will obtain some relief if the increased duties on imported cloth goods are approved by the Legislative Assembly in India, but more good will probably result from the reorganisation which has already been taken in hand.

The total capital of nine mills, we are informed, has been written down from \$6,375,000 to \$2,350,000, while the liquidation of ten other mills has resulted in a loss of \$1,000,000. Bombay has thus suffered badly by the losses experienced by its chief industry. The resulting depression of these unfortunates may to some extent account for the depreciation of Indian Government securities. But apart from this there is the fact that India in recent years has borrowed too cheaply, as evidenced by the heavy drop in the various loans, and this was aggravated by the issue of Treasury bills at a high rate.

During the past three years the fall in India Government securities has averaged about 8 per cent. The recent fall also has perhaps been accentuated by the hint of repudiation made by Mr. Gandhi at Lahore in January last.

As regards repudiation by India of its obligations, the possibility is quite unthinkable, and the letter from Sir Arthur Hirtzel in 'The Times' of January 28 last should give complete confidence to all intending investors in, or actual holders of, Government securities. As holders of these securities (and, of course, we are bound to have them in India), we have had to face the depreciation for the last three years, which has made a serious inroad into the profits we have earned in India, but the depreciation has been met fully, and our Government securities are written down to market value as at December 31 last. At the moment at the price at which these securities stand they are a perfectly sound and safe investment.

Jute Industry.

Jute export business has been rather quiet, and the jute mill industry in Calcutta is suffering from over-production, but that is a case of temporary indisposition only. The ordinary demand for Hessians and bags from Australia, America and the Argentine has slackened as a natural result of depression in exports from those countries, but that is likely to recover in the near future.

Tea, has, as I have already said, experienced rather a heavy drop, especially in the coarser grades, but the very fine tea still commands a good price, and with reduced plucking on a wholesale scale the market should right itself.

The balance of trade in favour of India for the financial year 1927-8 amounted to 51 millions sterling, and seems likely to be rather higher for the 12 months now ending. Since 1864 the value of foreign trade has jumped from 60 millions sterling to 420 millions sterling annually. Imports of specie, silver and gold averaged from 28 to 30 millions sterling for the past 30 years, the bulk of which remains in the country in the shape of hoards, jewellery, etc. The British Raj has therefore fostered Indian trade for the benefit of India to a remarkable degree. What India means to us and Great Britain means to India can be realised by a study of the special number issued by 'The Times' on February 18 last.

Trade Returns.

It is interesting to note that recent trade returns show that during 1929 the import of motor-cars into India numbered about 20,000, of which 7,000 were American, 6,500 Canadian and 3,500 British. As regards heavy lorries and omnibuses 6,370 were Canadian, 5,800 from America, and 478 from Great Britain, but for motor-cycles Great Britain had 91 per cent.

So also in China cars from America numbered 767, from Japan 668, from France 158, and Great Britain 107.

Burma has had a very poor season both in import and export markets.

Rangoon has experienced one of the worst periods of depression ever known, both as regards exports and imports. Exports of rice have been affected by the poor demand from India especially, and prices have fallen. As a consequence the piece goods business has suffered, and especially the Manchester market has been depressed by imports from Japan, Italy, and America.

Ceylon. Business in Ceylon has been fairly active in spite of the depreciation

values of tea and rubber. Shipments of tea in 1929 amounted to 246 million lb., or an increase of 18 million lb. over the previous year, and the quality has been well maintained. Rubber also showed an increase in shipments of 55 million lb. over 1928, but owing to fall in values the buying power of Ceylon is greatly reduced, and with a somewhat overlarge import of piece goods the holders of stocks are none too happy under present conditions.

Malaya generally has suffered, and is suffering severely, from the slump in prices of tin and rubber, with the result that the offtake of imported piece goods has been the lowest known for many years. It is satisfactory to note that imports of British piece and fancy goods in 1929 showed an increase over the previous year and are in excess of the same goods from Japan, although Japanese imports show an increase over 1928.

As regards tin, the price has fallen some \$60 a ton during the past twelve months and is now steady about \$160 per ton. Exports have increased over 1928, and last year amounted to 102,000 tons. A form of restriction of output has been agreed upon as affecting dredged tin, and it is hoped that the effect will be an improvement in prices.

Rubber.

Consequent on the withdrawal of restriction in Malaya and Ceylon, shipments of this product materially increased. Shipments in 1929 show an increase of nearly 170,000 tons. The most important and satisfactory feature in the situation is that of increased consumption both in America, United Kingdom, France, Germany and Italy, but after the setback experienced in the United States the consumption began to decline. From recent figures I find that, including some 200,000 tons reclaimed rubber, the total world consumption amounted to nearly 1,000,000 tons, and of this amount America took over 470,000 tons. So that the present low price of this article has compensating advantages in that it has undoubtedly increased consumption of rubber.

Position in China.

In China the present position is slightly disappointing to those who anticipated a more speedy return to peaceful conditions and had looked for a settled and powerful central Government which could effectively control the greater part of China, and repress with a firm hand the system of banditry on land and piracy on the water, with all its attendant horrors. This is not so at present, but the Government at Nanking has increased its power. The War Lords seem to be once more on the move, and the future is difficult to forecast. Nanking practically controls the purse and is backed up by solid financial and business interests in Shanghai. The relations between the Chinese Government and the British representative in China are excellent. Anti-British agitation seems to have died out, and we can with all sincerity express our good will for the consolidation and continuance of the present Government at Nanking.

Both in Hong Kong and in Shanghai the gradual decline in the price of silver, culminating in the recent slump when silver has been quoted at 18½d. per oz., while favourable for exports as a temporary measure, tells badly against imports of foreign goods, especially British piece goods and general merchandise. The import of British goods, or, indeed, of foreign goods generally, has also suffered in N. China from increased maritime and inland taxation. The Chinese Government have now full liberty to fix their scale of import duties, with the result that the duties have been about doubled. As an illustration it is shown that the receipts from the maritime customs for 1929 amounted to 162 million taels, as compared with 182 million taels in the previous year. The interest on all foreign loans covered by the maritime customs has been met in full.

The railways in North China are mostly in the hands of the military, and it is amazing to think that producers are able to get their produce to the market at all. I understand that they have to depend upon most primitive methods.

In China we again note the penetration of Japanese imports, and this applies to Hong Kong as well as to China. In past years Manchester supplied 75 per cent of piece goods business and Japan 25 per cent. Now the position is reversed and Japan has won the premier position.

Japan.

As regards Japan, the chief feature has been the return to the gold standard as from January 11 of this year. During the past year the exchange has been cleverly and effectively worked up by slow stages. The Japanese Government working in conjunction with the leading banks. The yen was worked up to 2½, and with credits opened in London and elsewhere the return to the gold standard was finally concluded, and the par value of the yen made

good. Japan deserves great credit for this most effective piece of finance.

The silk business of Japan has not been up to the standard of previous years. Owing to the decreased buying power in the American market consequent on the Stock Exchange boom collapse, the usual orders fell off appreciably and prices decreased to a point below cost of production.

Japanese Spinning & Weaving Mills.

As regards the spinning and weaving mills in Japan, the number of spindles in the Rengokai Mills increased to 6,169 million spindles in October, an increase of a million spindles in nine months. The mills did rather well in 1929, but with increased production stocks have begun to accumulate, which must tend to a curtailment of operations. When we seek to explain the cause for Japan ousting Lancashire from its premier position in the Eastern markets, we have to remember that, apart from cheaper labour and perhaps longer hours, Japan is benefiting by greatly improved organisation, resulting in mass production and mass distribution. Three large mercantile houses import more than three-quarters of the raw cotton consumed and export about the same percentage of the piece goods produced by big combine. Some 40 per cent of the spindles are owned by four big firms. The cotton is spun into a small number of counts, and from the yarn a number of standard cloths are made in bulk. With a huge turnover good results can be obtained from small margins.

In conclusion, I desire to convey the thanks of the board to Mr. Preston, Mr. Bruce and their colleagues at head office for their able management of the bank's affairs in the past year. To the managers abroad, to the foreign and home staff we also tender our sincere thanks and appreciation of the excellent work and continued devotion to the interests of the bank shown in these perplexing and difficult times.

With those remarks I beg to move: "That the report now presented, together with the balance-sheet and profit and loss account, be approved and adopted."

Sir William Foot Mitchell seconded the resolution, and it was carried unanimously without question or comment.

The chairman next moved: "That a dividend at the rate of 14 p.c. per annum for the half-year ended December 31 last, together with a bonus of 6s. 3d. per share, free of income tax, be declared payable on and after the 2nd proximo."

Sir Harry Goschen, Bt., K.B.E., seconded the resolution, and it was unanimously adopted.

On the motion of the chairman, seconded by Mr. A. A. Jamieson, the election of Mr. Arthur d'Anvers Willis to the board was confirmed.

On the proposition of the chairman, seconded by Mr. E. F. Mackay, the retiring directors, Mr. Jasper Bertram Young, Mr. Arthur d'Anvers Willis and Mr. Colin Frederick Campbell, were re-elected.

Mr. A. I. D. Stewart proposed the reappointment of the auditors, Mr. D. C. Wilson, C.A., and Mr. H. C. K. Sileman, C.A., and this was seconded by Mr. W. Wallace and passed unanimously.

Vote of Thanks.

Mr. E. T. Hargrave, proposing a cordial vote of thanks to the chairman, directors and staffs for the successful way in which they had conducted the business of the bank, congratulated the board on being able to maintain the dividend and bonus in spite of the difficulties to which the chairman had referred. He was far from believing that exchange banking was dead. He was convinced that when the trade of the world improved they might look forward to considerably better times.

Mr. F. Tomkinson, seconded the vote and it was unanimously accorded.

The chairman briefly acknowledged the compliment on behalf of the board, adding that whatever their difficulties might be, so long as they had the management and staff which they at present possessed shareholders need not fear the results. (Applause.)

Mr. W. E. Preston (chief manager) thanked the shareholders for the vote on behalf of the staff.

Extraordinary General Meeting. An extraordinary general meeting was subsequently held for the purpose of submitting resolutions for the adoption of new bye-laws and regulations in substitution for the provisions of the bank's existing deeds of settlement, and authorising the court of directors to apply for and, if granted, accept, a supplemental and consolidating charter in place of the bank's existing charters. The resolutions as passed were as follows:

1. That all clauses and provisions of the company's deed of settlement dated March 20, 1864, not already annulled by the supplemental deeds of settlement dated August 9, 1865,

May 9, 1902, and May 2, 1923, and all provisions of the said supplemental deeds of settlement (other than those annulling original provisions of the said deed of settlement) be annulled and that the bye-laws and rules contained in the printed document which has been submitted to this meeting and identified by the signature of the chairman thereof, with the amendments to bye-laws Nos. 68, 76 and 88 shown therein in ink and initialed by the chairman, be and the same are hereby adopted (in lieu of the said annulled provisions) as bye-laws and rules for regulating the carrying on of the business and the management of the affairs of the company (so far as not provided for by the charters of the company for the time being in force) and for the government of the company and the observance thereof by the individual members of the company.

2. That for the purpose of giving effect to the foregoing resolution the court of directors be and they are hereby authorised and directed to execute and affix the seal of the company to a supplemental deed of settlement in the terms of the draft submitted to this meeting and identified by the signature of the chairman thereof.

3. That the court of directors be and they are hereby authorised to apply for and accept if granted a supplemental and consolidating charter in the terms of the draft submitted to this meeting and identified by the signature of the chairman thereof with such (if any) modifications as it may be found necessary or be considered by the court of directors expedient or desirable to accept or in such other form as His Majesty may be willing to grant to the company.

The above resolutions were to be put forward for confirmation at a meeting of the shareholders which was to be held on April 16.

RUBBER SITUATION.

Plan to Stabilise Prices.

Batavia, Yesterday.

Mr. Marinus is mailing to Europe a full report of the rubber situation, including a plan of permanent organisation for rubber producers for the stabilisation of prices. [The Government has circulated the Residents of the outer possessions in the Dutch Indies, where native rubber is produced, asking them to urge the native producers to join the restriction movement. The Government is also arranging for a conference of Residents of the most important producing regions at Palembang and Djambi, (Sumatra) and Dutch Borneo, to discuss the position. Mr. Marinus, representative of the rubber producers of Holland, who is virtual dictator of the situation, will preside.]

REPARATION LOAN.

Bankers to Discuss Terms & Conditions.

Paris, Yesterday. The Bank of International Settlements has called a meeting of bankers in Brussels for May 1 to discuss the terms and conditions of issue of the first Young reparation loan. The amount is \$300,000,000 (gold). Mr. Montagu Norman will represent Great Britain.—Reuter.

FRANCE'S REVENUE.

Returns Show an Excess of 148,000,000 Francs.

Paris, Yesterday. The revenue returns for March totalled 2,974,000,000 francs showing an excess of 148,000,000, compared with the budget forecasts.—Havas.



To Probe Mayan Secrets.—Mrs. Edna Robb Webster, just before sailing to join the Willard expedition bound for Yucatan, the party will seek to uncover more of the priceless relics of the ancient Mayan civilization in Mexico and Central America. Mrs. Webster will write a series of articles on the progress of the expedition and its discoveries.

YOUNG COMMUNISTS

Alleged Street Agitators Charged.

DEFIANT ATTITUDE.

Brandishing a fist at the Bench, rapping out answers to questions he was asked by the judge, and asking whether the latter himself was not a communist, Li Loon-za, otherwise known as "Young Ambition," well-known Shanghai boxer, provided a sensational court appeal to his arrest at an anti-Government meeting, says the Shanghai Times of April 22.

The charges on which the six accused were arraigned are: Assembling with others not arrested between 9 and 9.20 a.m. on April 20 outside the Sau Sing Cotton Mill at 87 Yangtze Road, for the purpose of inciting others to commit an offence by writings and orally; committing offences against the public order and internal security of the state. "Young Ambition" and his fellow prisoners, it was stated, are wanted by the extra-settlement authorities.

"Young Ambition" described on the charge sheet as a boxer of the French Concession, strenuously denied that he had gone to the meeting to protect the instigators from outside intervention, and denied taking part in the stoning of a tramcar which resulted in the smashing of 13 windows. He explained that he went to meet a Filipino and protested against what he called his "unlawful arrest" and handcuffing by the police.

Judge Rebuked.

Asked by the judge what he was doing at the place where the meeting was held, he retorted that China was big enough for him to be anywhere in it. He declared that he was a boxer with a regular pay and suggested that he was being asked improper questions by the judge. The latter thereupon remarked that he could hardly believe that such an insolent person was not a communist and commented on the prisoner's defiant attitude in court.

"Prejudging Himself." Detective Sergeant O'Rourke, in company with four Chinese detectives who went to the scene, found assembled 50 to 70 Chinese of the mill-worker class, including four men in foreign attire. On the approach of the police in a station car, the four men mentioned threatened their way from the centre of the crowd, and ran west from Meichow Road towards Lay Road Creek over a small bridge, and then north along Lay Road. Leaving two Chinese detectives to watch the crowd, Detective Sergeant O'Rourke and another detective took a short cut into Lay Road and Ward Road corner.

As the two officers drew near to the four fugitives at the corner of Lay and Wayside Roads, the four men increased their pace and even resorted to running, turning round continuously to see whether they were still followed. "Young Ambition" was then arrested while his companions ran and turned north towards Chapel, and were lost sight of by the police. The prisoner then turned to the police and said: "I am a professional boxer, residing in the French Concession. I suppose that I will get two months for this." On arriving with his man at the Yangtze-poo Station, Detective Sergeant O'Rourke found that five others who were in the crowd at the meeting had been arrested by the three detectives, and were in the station. Later, a telephone message was received at the station from the Tramway Company stating that a number of windows of a tramcar had been smashed by some agitators outside the Sau Sing Cotton Mill at about 9.10 a.m. The stoning was attributed by the prosecution to members of the crowd which the police encountered the same morning.

Believed to Be Korean. "Young Ambition," a short and tough-looking individual, in foreign attire and collarless, said he was a native of Peking, but is believed by the police to be a Korean.

Among the pamphlets which the police picked up was one translated in part as follows: "The ruling authorities are attempting to crush the revolution with the army, thieves, running dogs and spies. The Kuomintang have massacred several workers. Fellow workers, have you forgotten the incidents at the Ziang Cheng and Edison factories in Shanghai and the Woo Kyi Egg Factory on April 8? All labourers should know that in order to cope with the Kuomintang, the army, the running dogs, sentries, etc., and to secure our emancipation, we labourers must arm ourselves and rise. Cognizant of this, we have organised the Labourers' Inspection Band. We must gather together and strain our best efforts, to make preparations for a demonstration on May 1, to devise means to engage our mutual enemies in battle."

"The work of the Hong Kong Labourers' Inspection Band, the three riots in Shanghai, the riot in Canton, and the work of such bands along the Yangtze Valley have all been fruitful beyond expectations. The Kuomintang, the Organisation Party, the Cancellation Party, the Yellow Labour Union, the Labour thieves, the running dogs, and the detectives are all our enemies."

In adjourning the case indefinitely, the presiding judge said that during the period of remand of the prisoners, the police would be afforded a further opportunity of bringing any further evidence that they may secure.

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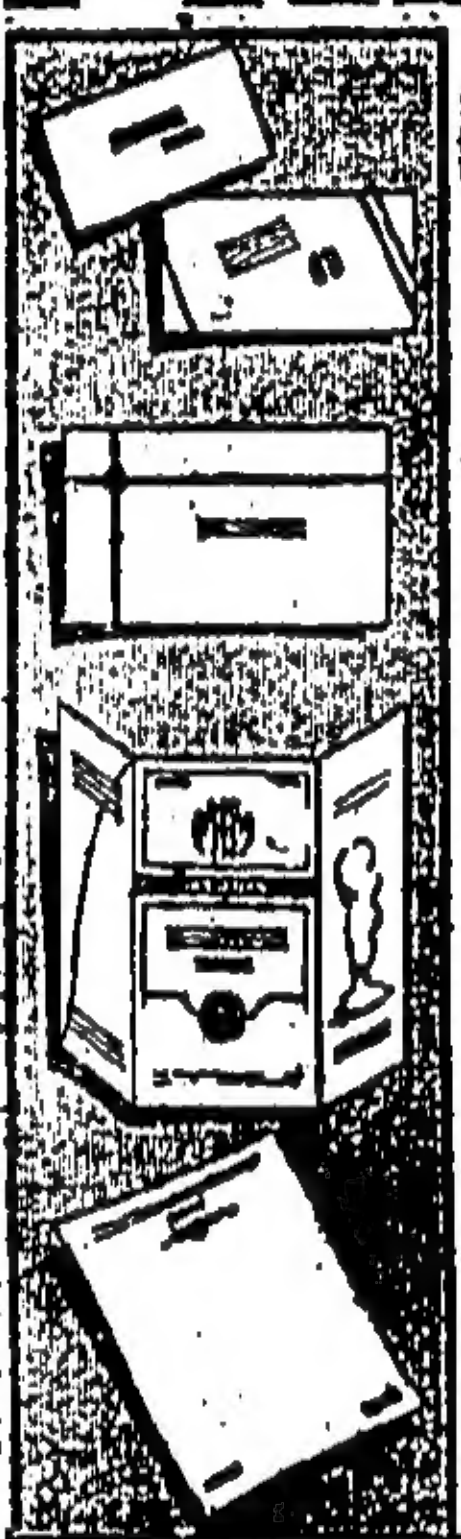
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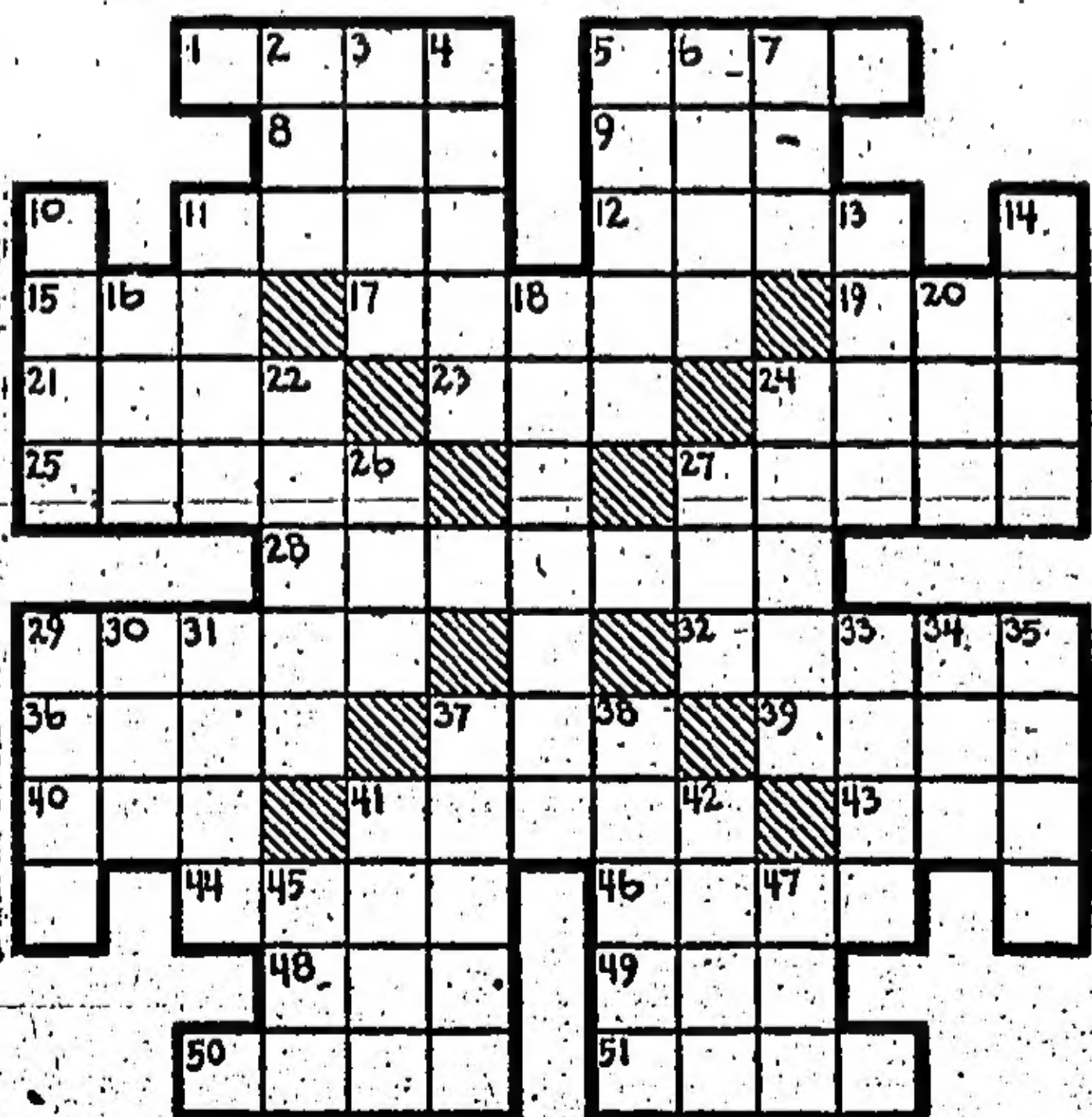
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plover, and althea.)



- HORIZONTAL**
- Segment
 - Chief of the gods (Norse Myth.)
 - Ocean
 - A small mass of butter
 - Part of a ship
 - Greek god of love
 - Consumed
 - To acquire knowledge
 - To strike lightly
 - Troubles
 - Mineral spring
 - A chapter or section of the Koran
 - Althea
 - Feminine name
 - A little note
 - To analyze a word according to rules
 - A glimmer
 - A small candle
 - To the ice side
 - Skill
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**
- Part of face
 - A short gaiter worn over the shoe
 - The malleous bone
 - ing of a structure
 - Open (post)
 - Venture
 - A fruit
 - Enclosure
 - Mistake
 - High Rat tableland
 - Capital of Italy
- VERTICAL**
- Shock
 - A short gaiter worn over the shoe
 - Bound
 - Goose forth into
 - Venture
 - Metric lang measure
 - Realization
 - The chief of evil spirits
 - Fish eggs
 - Deep black
 - Amplified unduly
 - A beverage
 - To persevere
 - Indignant
 - Expectation (abbr.)
 - Tall grass stem
 - Place of combat
 - To persevere
 - Greek god of war
 - Roman emperor
 - Monkey
 - Part of the body
- VERTICAL (Cont.)**
- Poisonous snake
 - To fill in with needle and thread
 - A Japanese statesman
 - A river in Lorraine
 - Same

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in tomorrow's issue, along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

RADIO TOPICS



The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on 355 metres:—

6-7 p.m.—European Programme of Columbia Records by courtesy of Anderson Music Co.:—
"The Thistle" (Middletown, arr. Winterbottom).Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.
"Sunnyside Up" (Theme Song), (de Sylva, Brown & Henderson),
"In an Old World Garden" (Pepper) Layton and Johnstone, American Duetists with Piano."Narcissus" (Nevin, arr. Pattman),
"Melody in F" (Rubinstein, arr. Pattman).Organ Solo by Pattman (Compton Organ).
"Chauve Souris—Gypsy Song" (Russian Song),
"Chauve Souris—Berceuse" (Russian Song).Mmes. Birse & Ershova.
"Fluttering Birds" (J. Gennin),
"Idylle Bretonne" (J. Gennin),
Sir Dan Godfrey conducting the Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra."Jungle Drums—Patrol" (Albert W. Ketelbey),
"By the Blue Hawaiian Waters—Tone Picture" (Albert W. Ketelbey),
Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards."Old Pal" (Roy Regan),
"Will the Angels Play their Harps for Me?" (Hirsch & Wilhite),
The Maestros (Vocal Quintette) with Piano and Harp Obligato."Kiss" (Johann Strauss—Op. 400),
"Wine, Women and Song" (Johann Strauss—Op. 530),
Johann Strauss & Symphony Orchestra."The Merry Brothers" (Jean Gennin),
"Echoes of the Valley" (Jean Gennin),
Sir Dan Godfrey conducting the Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra.

7-7.30 p.m.—Cantonese Lesson by Rev. H. R. Wells.

7.30-8 p.m.—Recorded Programme continued:—
"Priere et Berceuse" (Alex. Guilmant—Op. 27),
"Tannhauser—Pilgrim's Chorus" (Wagner).

Liberal Jewish Synagogue Organ played by G. T. Pattman.

"Two Black Crows" (Mack),
Nolan and Mack, Comedy Sketch."Faust—Soldiers' Chorus" (Gounod),
"Faust—La Kermesse" (Gounod),
Chorus and Orchestra of the Theatre National de l'Opera, Paris."I May Be Wrong" (Kuskin & Sullivan),
"The World's Greatest Sweetheart is You" (Razaf & Denniker),
Layton and Johnstone, American Duetists with Piano.

8 p.m.—Chinese Programme relayed from Ko Shing Theatre until end of Play.

9 p.m.—Weather Report.

RADIO TO HIDE SUICIDE.

The suicide of a company director who switched on his wireless loud-speaker to drown the report of the gun with which he shot himself was revealed at an inquest at Wimbledon, S.W.

A verdict of Suicide while of Unsound Mind was returned on Robert Edmund Campbell, aged 59, of Park-side, Wimbledon Common.

A servant said that Mr. Campbell put on the wireless at 5.30 p.m. and when she went to call him for dinner he was dead in his bedroom with a sporting gun by his side. The wireless, she said, had been put on louder than usual and she did not hear any report.

TELEVISION TALKIE.
First Broadcast of Sight and Sound.

From the twin London transmitters of the B.B.C. on March 31 was broadcast the world's first "television talkie" sound and sight together.

Spectators in a studio in Hendon not only saw the faces of speakers and singers in a room in Long-acre; they heard their voices also, perfectly synchronised with the movement of their lips.

For some months television broadcasts have been conducted by Baird International Television Ltd., through the B.B.C. transmitters, but this was the first at which sound was added to sight. Both were separately picked up at the studio in Long-acre, translated into electrical impulses, carried by telephone line to Brookman's Park, and there broadcast, the sound from the London Regional transmitter and the vision from the National transmitter. The sound was picked up by an ordinary wireless set with loud speaker, and the vision by a "television" where it appeared as a moving picture on a small glass screen.

First, an announcer's voice was heard, and then the head and shoulders of Mr. Sidney A. Moseley appeared on the screen.

"This inaugurates an epoch in television transmission," he declared, and went on to outline the proceedings. He was followed by Sir Ambrose Fleming, the inventor of the thermionic valve, which made wireless in the home possible.

After a short speech, Sir Ambrose gave place to Lord Amthill, chairman of Baird International Television Ltd. As Lord Amthill spoke his glasses reflected a mirror which was suspended in front of each speaker to indicate "position" for the television apparatus.

Miss Annie Croft, Miss Gracie Fields, and Miss Lulu Stanley sang, and Mr. R. C. Sheriff, author of "Journey's End," concluded the programme.

Although not perfect, the images were remarkably clear. They had a flicker and jerkiness similar to the early cinematograph, and black lines continually chopped up the picture, but in spite of these drawbacks the expressions, of the speakers and the accompanying movements of head and hands could be clearly followed.

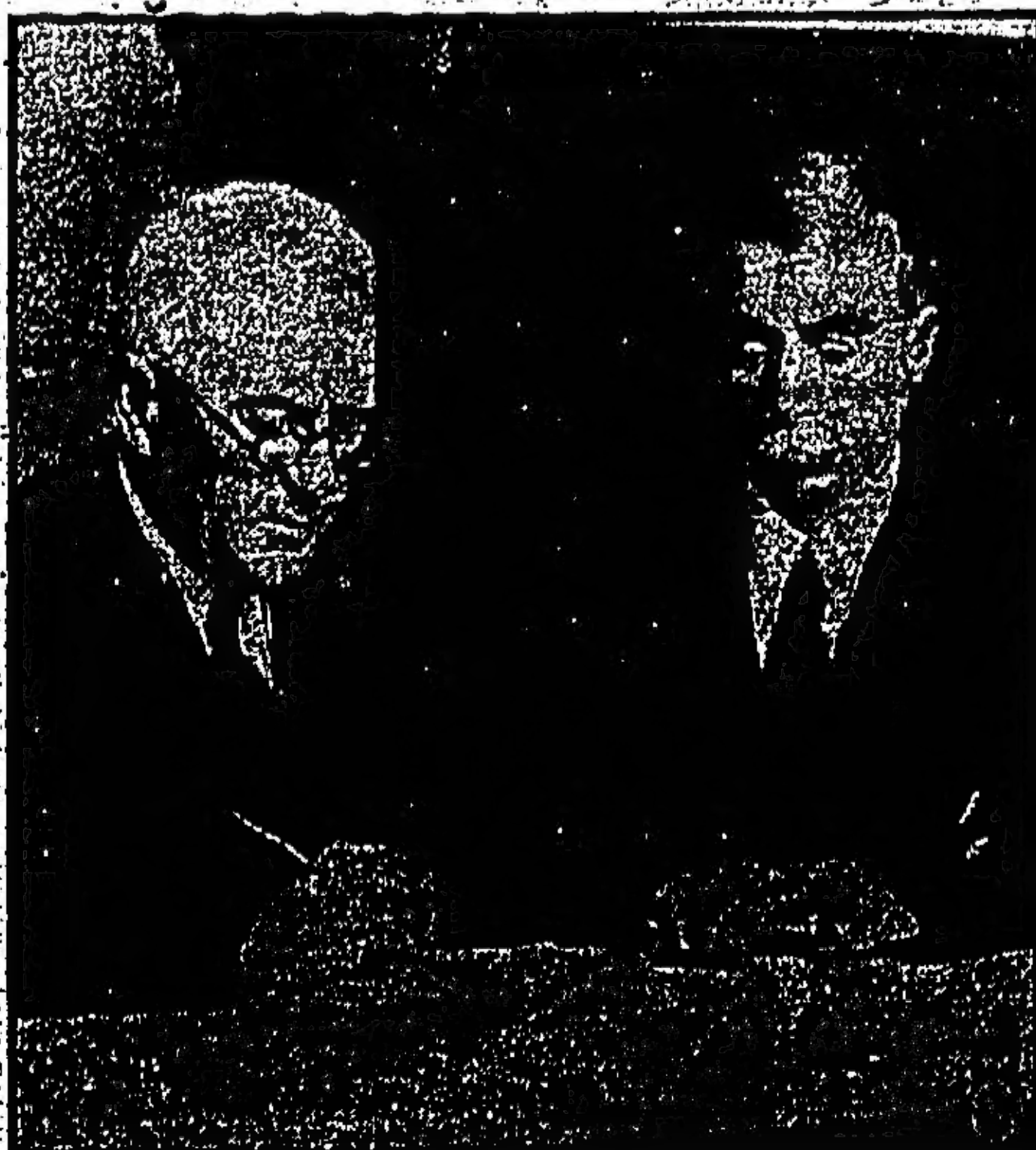
FIRST TEST CALL.

Wireless Telephone to Brazil.

The first telephone conversation between England and Brazil—nearly 6,000 miles away—took place on March 31, after Senhor Olavo E. de Souza Aranha, a Brazilian financier visiting London, had lifted the telephone receiver in his sitting-room at the Savoy Hotel, London, and heard "Rio de Janeiro wants you."

He greeted a friend who wished to discuss some urgent business. Senhor Aranha said he could hear perfectly, and there were no interruptions.

The official Anglo-Brazilian telephone service will open only in some weeks, and that on March 31 was in the nature of a test call. It reached the hotel from Paris, travelling by land line through France and Spain, and by wireless across the Atlantic to South America via Cape Verde—a distance of more than 7,000 miles.



Senator James M. Cox (left), of Michigan, chairman of the Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce, and Clarence Mackay, President of the Postal Telegraph, looking over a chart of cable routes during their discussion of a possible telegraph-radio merger that would represent one of the most significant business combinations of recent years. The projected merger would be that the International Telephone and Telegraph Company, a subsidiary of the Postal Company, with the Radio Corporation of America.

DAMPING.

Helpful Information for Amateurs.

Practically every amateur knows that the electrostatic capacity between the electrodes of a valve puts a practical limit to the degree of amplification which can be obtained with the valve; this is because the capacity not only between the electrodes, but in the conductors passing through the valve holder, and in the wiring, tends to bring about oscillation in the circuit when the amplification is increased beyond a certain point. The result is that the amplification must of necessity be kept below the degree at which oscillation is set up, and this sometimes means that only a comparatively small degree of amplification can be used.

These capacity effects have, to some extent, been overcome by special design in valves, particularly in regard to the design of the electrodes themselves and the placing of the electrodes in relation to one another and by improvements in valve holders and so on.

Another way of attacking this problem is to introduce damping into the grid circuit by means of a resistance which may be connected either in series or in parallel with it. This, however, although it enables the use of a much greater degree of amplification with the valve, so lowers the efficiency of the circuit that the result is often worse than before, that is, from the point of view of overall efficiency.

The signal strength with the damping resistance is often less than it would be without the resistance, and with the valve working near to the oscillation point.

When working on a single wavelength it is easy enough to adjust the damping so that the high-frequency resistance of the grid circuit is kept at about its original value. But as it is generally necessary to operate on different wave-lengths, and inasmuch as the reaction effect which must be considered varies with the wave-length, it will be seen that the method is not a convenient one, more so since the characteristics of the valve and the circuit, the filament voltage, etc., are themselves liable to vary from time to time.

The interaction between plate and grid may be overcome by the method, which has been largely used, of neutralising or balancing out the feed-back effects by means of a special subsidiary or auxiliary circuit.

Charging the Condensers.

When connecting the high-tension battery you will often notice an appreciable spark as you complete the circuit, that is, when the wander plug touches one of the sockets in the battery. At first anyone not accustomed to wireless apparatus might get the impression that there was a serious leakage somewhere and that a large current (represented, in fact, by the appearance of the spark) would be flowing steadily from the high-tension battery.

Such a current would naturally run down the battery in the course of a few hours.

As a matter of fact, there is no need for alarm, as this spark is due to the charging of the condensers in the circuit. As you know, there may be several microfarads of total capacity included in the circuit, and as this is charged up in a very short time when the high-tension is connected, it means that a large current flows. The current represented by the spark is, in fact, fairly strong, but as it flows for a very short time the total amount drawn from the high-tension battery is small. You will almost invariably notice this spark when the set has been out of action some time, as naturally the charge on the condensers leaks away.

At the same time, you should always be on the lookout for actual leaks in the circuit, and if you have any reason to suspect that the spark obtained is unduly large, or if it continues after the condensers are charged, the matter needs investigation.

MURDER BY WIRELESS.

Prague, April 11.
Murder by wireless was the fantastic plan devised by a peasant.

Hiding to Wernsdorf, he climbed on to the roof of the house of his brother-in-law, against which he had a grudge, fixed a wire to the wireless antennae, and flung the other end over a high overhead cable.

The intended victim clamped the head phones over his ears but the wire fused and the man was unhurt.

The short circuit, however, plunged the neighbourhood in darkness.

The culprit was arrested.

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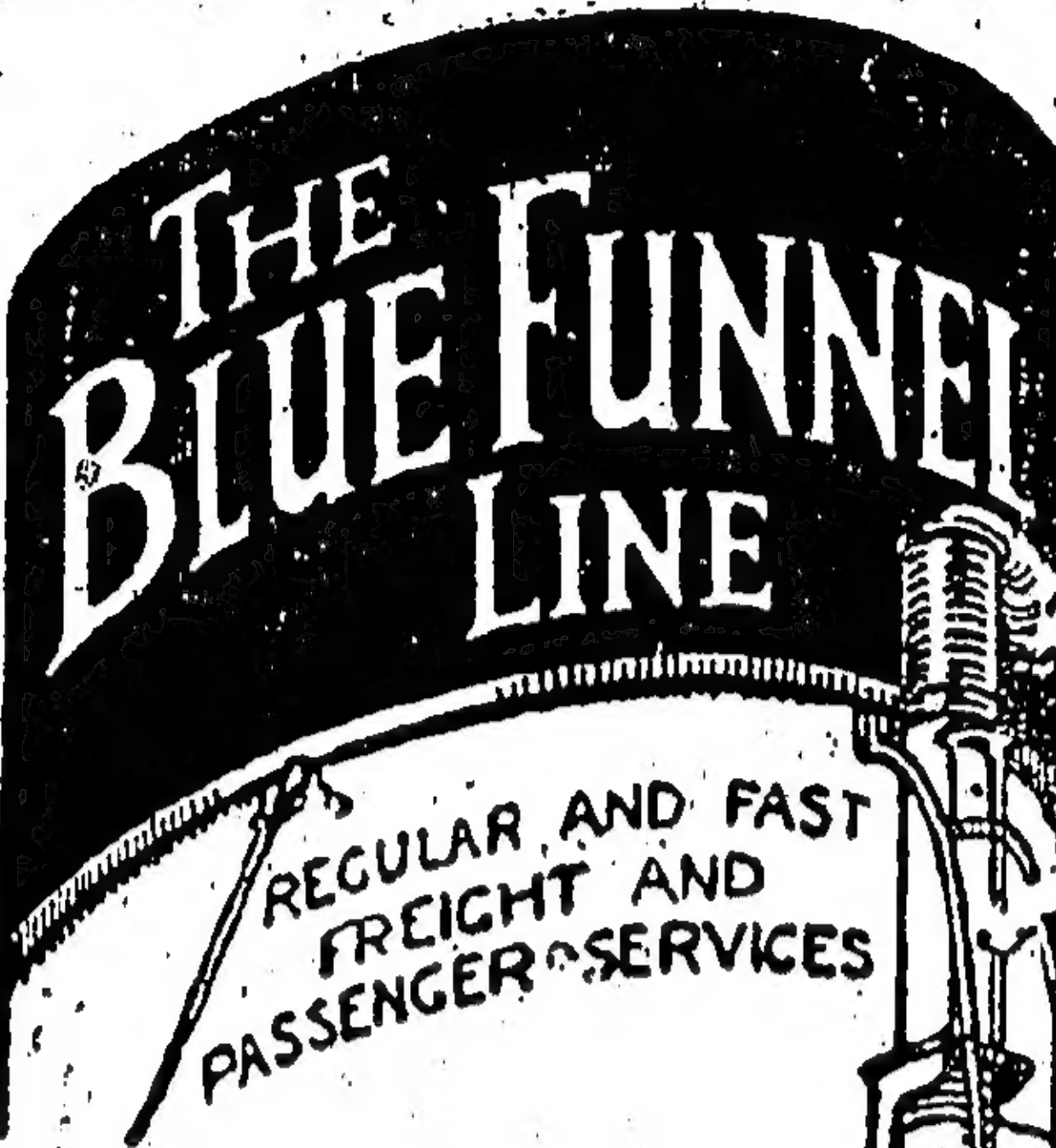
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Straits and Calcutta Shirala
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Letters 1 p.m.
Canton 1.30 p.m.
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Tainan 3.30 p.m.
Peking Maru 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 1,
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Saigon (Due San Francisco, May 22
Bangkok and *Europe via Siberia.)
Hydrangea Registration .. Apr. 30, 5 p.m.
Tainan Letters May 1, 8.30 a.m.

TRAGEDY OF THE SAHARA.

FRENCH AIRMAN'S BODY FOUND
BESIDE WRECKED PLANE.
END OF LONG FLIGHT.

Paris, Yesterday.
Native troops have discovered in the middle of the Sahara, midway between Reggan and Ouallen, Captain Goulette lying injured beside his wrecked aeroplane, in which with Marchessau and Bourgeois he was flying from Madagascar to France. The machine has not been reported since he left Gona on the Niger on Tuesday. There is no trace of his companions.

Goulette and his companions broke all records in a flight to Madagascar last October, their time being days seven hours, but shortly afterwards Bailly, Rignone, and Marsot accomplished the flight in eight days five hours.

This is the second tragedy of emulation of French airmen prospecting a commercial air route from France to Madagascar.

In the first tragedy the bodies were found in the Belgian Congo.

A Fatal Flight.
Of the four groups, each composed of three airmen, who left France last autumn on long distance flights, only Bailly and his companions returned safely. Lasalle, Robert, and Palicot, flying to Saigon were found dead beside their wrecked machine on the Tripoli coast near Syte in December.

[The bodies of the French airmen, Roux, Callot and Dodefont, who disappeared while flying to France last January after a successful flight to Madagascar, were found, with their aeroplane, in the Kasai forest, Belgian Congo. This indicated how they met with disaster, and clears up the mystery of their actual fate.]

ECLIPSE OF SUN.

Scientists Gather from All Parts of the World.

SEEN AT SAN FRANCISCO.

San Francisco, Yesterday.
A large band of astronomers from all over the world were favoured with good visibility for the event for which they assembled as at 9.30 in the morning (Pacific time) an uncanny shadow slowly blotted out the sun, which was totally eclipsed for 1.3/10 of a second.

TO AID UNEMPLOYED

U.S. Senate Establish a Planning Board.

FUND OF \$150,000,000.

Washington, Yesterday.
The Senate has approved the establishment of a Federal Public Works Planning Board, composed of the secretaries of the Treasury, Commerce, Agriculture and Labour with a fund of \$150,000,000 (gold) to be used in times of depression and unemployment. — Reuter's American Service.

SEPOY FUND.

Eighth List Of Subscriptions.

Over \$1,400 has been received since the last list of the Navy League Sepoy Fund was issued. The latest donations include a handsome sum of \$500 from the A.P.C. The 8th list is as follows:—

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LONDON TO CANADA IN TWO DAYS.

AMBITIOUS SCHEME TO LINK THE EMPIRE.

USE OF PARACHUTES.

Rugby, Yesterday.
It is stated at the Air Ministry that experiments are being made with two new types of parachutes for delivering mails and goods by aeroplane. One of these types is a high velocity parachute which opens automatically after falling for a predetermined distance. The other type opens at a predetermined distance from the ground. Both parachutes will probably be used when perfected to deliver letters and postal packages throughout Great Britain.

Canada to Britain.
Colonel Ralston, the Canadian Minister of the National Defence Force, recently returned to Canada from the London Naval Conference, declared at a banquet that the possibility of a two-day's air route between Great Britain and Winnipeg were under consideration by men interested in Empire Air Services. The route contemplated was via Scotland, the Faroe Islands, Iceland, Greenland and Hudson Bay. A survey of the ice cap in Greenland to find suitable landing places and to study meteorological conditions would be made during the next 12 months.—British Wireless Service.

UNION INSURANCE.

Final Dividend for 1928.

The General Managers of the Union Insurance Company of Canton, Limited, inform the China Mail that, subject to audit, the Directors will recommend the payment of a final dividend of 16/- per share for account of the year 1928. They will further recommend an interim dividend of 24/- per share for account of the year 1929, and a bonus of 20 per cent. on contributory premium.

PIER DAMAGE.

(Continued from Page 1.)

These logs were immovably dangerous articles and were in a public place, and it was, therefore, the duty of persons having control of them to keep them innocuous so far as care can do so. This was in the circumstances the defendant's positive duty under the common law. Having notice of the approach of a particular and serious danger, it was further the defendant's duty to exercise particular care in anticipation of it.

It was agreed for the plaintiff that no want of due care was shown by the defendant prior to 12 midnight on August 21, nor yet after 9 a.m. on August 22, but it was contended that the inactivity of the defendant between these hours after warnings received, both public and private, when after the breakdown of the defendant's crane, it would still have been possible to arrange for the removal of the logs to a place of safety, constitutes negligence, which entitles the plaintiff to succeed.

After consideration, I adopt this contention and my judgment is given for the plaintiff for claim and costs. Mr. Rendall asked for a stay of execution pending consideration of appeal. His Lordship:—Will you pay into Court? Mr. Rendall:—Is it necessary, my Lord? His Lordship:—Yes. This Mr. Rendall agreed to do and his Lordship made an order giving a stay of execution for one month conditionally upon defendant paying the amount of claim and costs into Court within six days.

In a report to the Water Police Station to-day, Lieutenant-Commander J. S. Crawford, of H.M.S. Sirdar, stated that some time between the evening of April 15 and the morning of April 16, some person unknown stole from his boat at Tai-po harbour a reindeer, buoy, 8 fathoms of 1 1/2 ins. hemp rope, 28 per cent lb. of sounding lead, and a boat's anchor, weighing about 30 lb.

A lecture arranged to be given by Professor Brown at the University last night on current progress in heat engineering had to be postponed owing to his indisposition.

In view of the incursion of American capital into the tin market, several important concerns are seeking to ensure British control.

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